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and bloude of Christe, commonly called the Sacrament of the
Altar: and for the receiuing therof vnder bothe kindes.

The first Chapitre.

TH Kinges moste excellent Maestie minding the
gouernaunce and orde of his moste louing subiectes
to be in moste perfecte vnitie and concozde, in al thin-
ges, and in especiall, in the true faicth and Religion
of God, and wishing thesame to be brought to passe
with all clemencie and mercie, on his highnesse parte
towards them, as his moste Princelie serenitie and
Maestie hath alreadye declared by euident prouise,
to thintent that his moste louing subiectes prouoked by clemencie and
goodnesse of their Prince and King, shall studie rather for loue, then for
feare, to dooe their dueties, first to almighty God, and then to his high-
nesse & the common wealth, nourishing concozde and loue emong them-
selues: yet considereth & perceiueth that in a multitude al bee not on that
sorte, that reason and the knowelege of their dueties can moue them fro
offence, but many, whiche had neede haue some bzidle of feare, & that the
same be men moste contencious & arrogante for the moste parte, & elles
moste blinde and ignozant: by the meanes of whiche sorte of men, many
thinges wel and godlie instituted, and to the edification of many, bee per-
uerterd and abused, and turned to their owne and others great losse and
hinderaunce, and sometime to extreme destruction: the whiche doeth ap-
peare in nothing more or soner, then in matiers of Religion, and in the
great & high misteries therof, as in the moste coumfortable Sacrament
of the bodie & bloude of our Sauour Iesu Christe, commonly called the
Sacramente of the Altar, and in scripture, the **Supper** & **Table** of
the **Lorde**, the **Communion** & partaking of the bodie and bloude of
Christe: whiche Sacrament was instituted of no lesse ancthour, then of
our Sauour, bothe God & man, when at his last supper emongst his A-
postles he did take the bread into his holie handes, & did saie: **Take you and**
eate: this is my bodie, whiche is geuen and broken for you. And taking by the **chalice**
or cup, did geue thankes and saie: **this is my bloude of the newe testamente, whiche is**
shed for you, and for many, for the remission of synnes. that whensoever we should
dooe thesame, we should do it in the remembraunce of him and to declare
and set forth his death and moste glortous passion, vntill his coming.
Of the whiche bread, whosoever eateth, or of the whiche cup, whoso-
uer drinketh vnto death, eateth and drinketh condemnation and iud-
gement to himself, making no difference of the Lordes bodie. The insti-
tution of whiche Sacramente being ordeined by Christe, as is before
said, and thesaied woordes spoken of it here before rehearsed, being of e-
ternal, infallible, & vndoubted truerh: yet thesaied Sacramente (al this
notwithstanding) hath been of late matricilouslie abused by soche ma-
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ner of men, befoze rehearsed, who of wickednesse, or els of ignorance, & want of learning for certayne abuses, heretofore committed of some, in misusing therof, haue condemned in their hartes and speche, the whole thing, and contemptuously depzaued, despised, or reuled thesame moste holie and blessed Sacramente, and not onelie disputed and reasoned vnrerentlie and vngodlie of that moste high misterie, but also in their sermons, preachinges, readings, lectures, communications, argumentes, talkes, rimes, songes, plaies, or gestes, name, or call it by soche vile and vnsemlie woozdes, as Chyistian eares doe abhorre to heare rehearsed: for reformation wherof bee it enacted by the Kinges highnesse with the assent of the Lordes Spiritual & Temporal, & of the Commons in this presente Parliamente assembled, and by the aucthoritie of thesame, that whatsoeuer persone, or persones, from, and after the first daie of Maie nexte coming, shall depzaue, despise, or contemne thesaid moste blessed Sacramentarie contempt therof by any contemptuous woozdes, or by any woozdes of depzauing, despising, or reuling: or what persone, or persones, shall aduisedlie in any otherwise contemne, despise, or reule thesaid moste blessed Sacramente, contrarie to the effectes, & declaracion abovesaid, that then he, or they, shal suffer imprisonment, of his, or their bodie, and make fine and raunsome at the Kinges wil and pleasure.

And for full and effectual execution of the premises befoze deuised, ordeined and enacted by this Acte: be it furthermore enacted by the aucthoritie of this present Parliament, that immediatlie after the first daie of Maie next coming, the Iustices of Peace, or thre of them at the least wherof one of the to be of the Quorum, in every Shiere of this Realme and Wales, and al other places within the Kinges dominions, shal haue full power and aucthoritie by vertue of this Acte, aswel to take informacion and accusacion by thowhes and depositions of twoo able, honest, and lesul persones at the least, and after soche accusacion, or informacion so had to enquire by the othes of .xij. men, in every their .iii. quarter Sessions perelie to be holden, of al and singular soche accusacions, or informacions to be had, or made of any of the offences abovesaid, to be committed, or dooen after thesaid first daie of Maie, within the limites of their commission: and that vpon every soche accusacion and informacion, the offendour, and offendours shalbe inquired of, and indicted befoze thesaid Iustices of Peace, or thre of them at the least, as is aforesaid, of the said contemptes and offences, by the veredict of .xij. honest, and indifferent menne, if the matier of thesaid accusacion & informacion shal seme to thesaid Iurie good and true.

And it is also furthermore enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that thesaid Iustices of Peace, or thre of them at the least, as is aforesaid, befoze whom any soche presentmente, informacion, and accusacion shalbe made, or taken, as is aforesaid, shal examine the accusours, what other witnessse were by, and presente at the time of the doeing and committing of

of thoffence: wherof the informacion, accusacion, and presentment shalbe made, and how many others then the accusours, haue knowelege thereof, and shal haue power and auctoritie, by their discretions, to binde by recognisaunce to be taken before them, as wel thesaid accusours, as all soche other persones, whom thesame accusours shall declare to haue knowelege of the offences by them presented and informed, euery of the in fine poundes to the King, to appeare before thesaid Iustices of Peace before whom the offendour, or offendours shalbe tried at the daie of trial and deliuerance of soche offendours.

And it is furthermore enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that thesaid Iustices of Peace, or thre of them at the least, as is abovesaid, by vertue of this Acte, shal haue full power and auctoritie to make processe against euery persone and persones so indicted by twoo Capias and an exigent, and by Capias ut legat, as wel within the limites of their commissiō, as into al other Shieres and places of this Realme, Wales, and other the Kinges dominions, as wel within the liberties as without, and thesame processe to be good and effectual in the lawe to al intentes, constructions and purposes: and vpon the apperaunce of any of the offendours, shal haue full power and auctoritie by vertue of this Acte, and the commission of Peace, to determine the contemptes and offences aforesaid, according to the lawes of this Realme, and effectes of this Acte: and that thesaid Iustices of Peace, or thre of them at the least, as is abovesaid, shal haue full power and auctoritie to lette any soche persone, or persones so indicted, vpon sufficiente sureties, by their discretions, to bail, for their apperaunce to be tried, according to the tenour, fourme, and effecte of this Acte.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted, that thesaid Iustices of Peace or thre of them at the least, at their quarter Sessions, where any offendour, or offendours shalbe, or stande indicted of any of the contemptes, or offences abovesaid, shall directe and awarde one writ in the Kinges name to the Bishop of the Diocese, wherein thesaid offence or offences are supposed to be committed, or dooen: willing and requiring thesaid Bishop to be in his owne persone, or by his Chauncellour, or other his sufficient Deputie learned, at the quarter Sessions in thesaid Countie to be holden, when, and where thesaid offendour shalbe arraigned and tried, appoynting to them in thesaid writ the daie and place of thesaid arraignment, whiche writ shalbe of this fourme: Rex, &c Epō. L. Salutem. Præcipimus tibi, quod tu, Cancellarius tuus, uel alius Deputatus tuus sufficiens, eruditus, sitis cum Iustitiariis nostris ad pacem in com. nostro, B. conservand. assignat. apud D. rali die, ad Sessionem nostram, ad tunc & ibm. tenend. ad dand. consilium & aduisament. eisdem Iustitiariis nostris ad pacem, super arranament & deliberationem offendent. contra formā statuti, concernen. sacrosanctum Sacramentum Altaris.

Provided alwaies, and bee it enacted by the auctoritie abovesaid

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that no persone or persones shalbe indicted of any of the contemptes, or offences abovesaid, but onely of soche contemptes, or offences, as shalbe dooen, or perpetrated within thre monethes, nexte after thesaid offences, or offence so committed or dooen.

And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that in al tri-alles for any soche offendours befoze thesaid Justices, as is aforesaid the persone or persones being complained on, and arraigned, shalbe admitted to purge or trie, his, or their innocentie, by as many, or moe witnessses in numbre, and of as good honestie and credence, as the witnessses be, whiche depose against him, or them, or any of them.

And forasmuche as it is more agreeable, bothe to the first institution of thesaid Sacramente, of the moste precious bodie and bloude of our Saviour Iesus Christe, and also more conformable to the comon vse and practyse bothe of the Apostles, and of the primative Church, by the space of fiv hundred yeres, and more, after Christes ascension, that the said blessed Sacramente should be ministred to al Christian people vnder bothe the kindes of bread and wine, then vnder the fourme of bread onely: and also it is more agreeable to the first institution of Christe, and to the vse of the Apostles, and the primative Church, that the people being present should receiue thesame with the Priest, the that the Priest should receiue it alone: therefore bee it enacted by our Souerain Lorde the King, with the consent of the Lordes Spiritual and Temporal, and the Commons in this presente Parliamente assembled, and by the auctorite of thesame, that thesaid moste blessed Sacramente be hereafter communelie deliuered, & ministred vnto the people, within this Church of Englande, and Irelande, & other the Kinges dominions vnder bothe the kindes, that is to saie, of bread and wine, excepte necessitie other wise require: and also, that the Priests, whiche shal minister thesame, shal at the least one daie befoze exhort al persones, whiche shalbe present, likewise to resorte, and prepare themselves to receiue thesame. And when the daie prefixed cometh, after a godlie exhortaciō by the minister made (wherin shalbe further expessed the benefite and comfort promised to them, whiche woorthelie receiue the holie Sacrament, and daungier and indignacion of God threatened to them, whiche shal presume to receiue thesame unworthelie, to the ende that every manne maie trie and examine his owne conscience befoze he shal receiue thesame) thesaid minister shal not without a laweful cause denighe thesame to any persone, that wil deuontlie and humbly desire it: any lawe, statute, ordinance, or custome, contrarie therunto in any wise notwithstanding: not condemning hereby the vse of any Church out of the Kinges Quaities dominions.

An Acte for the election of Bishoppes, and what Seales and Gule they, and other Spiritual persones exercising Jurisdiction Ecclesiastical shal vse.

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Almoche as the election of the Archebischoppes and Bischoppes by the Deanes and Chapters, within the Kinges Maiesties Realmes of Englande and Ireland, at this present time, be aswel to the long delaie, as to the great costes and charges of soche persones, as the Kinges Maiestie geueth any Archebischoppiche, or Bischoppiche vnto: and wheras thesaied elections be in very deede no elections, but onelie by a writte of Cenge deslier, haue coloures, shadowes, or pretences of elections, seruing neuer thelesse to no purpose, and seming also derogatorie and preiudicial to the Kinges prerogatiue roiall, to whom onelie apperteineth the collation and giste of all Archebischoppiches, and Bischoppiches, and Suffragan Bischoppes, within his highnesse saied Realmes of Englande, and Irelande, Wales, and other his dominions and Marches: For a due reformation herof, be it therefore enacted by the Kinges highnesse with the assent of the Lordes Spirituall and Temporall, and the Commons in this presente Parliamente assembled, and by aucthoritie of thesame, that from henceforth, no soche Cenge deslier be graunted, nor election of any Archebischoppe, or Bischoppe, by the Deane and Chapter made: But that the King maie by his lettres Patentes at all times, when any Archebischoppiche, or Bischoppiche be voide, conferre thesame to any persone whom the King shall thinke meete. The whiche collacion so by the Kinges lettres Patentes made, and deliuered to the persone, to whom the King shall conferre thesame Archebischoppiche, or Bischoppiche, or to his sufficient Doctour, and Attourneie, shall stande to al intentes, constructions, and purposes, to almoche, and thesame effecte, as though Cenge deslier had been geuen, the election duellie made, and thesame confirmed: and that vpon thesaied persone, to whom thesaied Archebischoppiche, Bischoppiche, or Suffraganshippe is so conferred, collated, or geuen, maie be consecrated, and sue his liuerie, or ouster le mayne, and dooe o-ther thinges aswell, as if thesaied Ceremonies and elections had been dooen and made.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by aucthoritie aforesaid, that euery soche persone, to whom any collacion, or giste of any Archebischoppiche, Bischoppiche, or Suffraganshippe shall be geuen or collated by the King, his heires, or Successours, shall paie, dooe, and yelde to al, and euer persone, al soche fees, interestes, and dueties, as of olde time haue been accustomed to bee dooen: any thing in this Acte, or in any other, to the contrarie herof, in any wise notwithstanding.

And where as the Archebischoppes and Bischoppes, and other Spiritual persones in this Realme dooe vse to make and sende out their summons, Citacions, and other procelle in their owne names, and in soche fourme and maner, as was vled in the time of the vsurped power of the Bishop of Rome, contrarie to the fourme and orde of the summons and

processe of the common lawe used in this Realme: seeing that all aucthoritie of Jurisdiction, Spiritual and Temporal, is derived and deduced from the Kinges Maiestie, as supreme head of these Churches & Realmes of Englande and Irelande, and so is to be acknowledged by the clergy of the said Realmes: and that al Courtes Ecclesiastical, within the said two Realmes, be kepte by no other power, or aucthoritie either fozeine, or within the Realme, but by the aucthoritie of his moste excellent Maiestie: Be it therefore soother enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that al summons and Citacions, or other processe Ecclesiastical, in al suites and causes of instance, betwixte partie & partie, and al causes of correction, and al causes of bastardie, or bigamie, or inquirie de lure Patronatus, probates of testaments, and commissions of administration of persones deceased, and all acquitances, of, and upon accomptes made by the executours, administratours, or collectours of gooddes of any ded persone, be from the first daie of Julie nexte following made in the name, and with the stile of the King, as it is in written original, or iudicial at the comon lawe: and that the rese therof bee in the name of the Archebishop, or Bishop, or other hauing Ecclesiastical iurisdiction, who hath the commission and graunt of the aucthoritie Ecclesiastical, immediate from the Kinges highnesse, and that his commissarie, Official, or substitute exercising iurisdiction vnder him, shal put his name in the citation, or processe after the rese.

Soothermore, be it enacted by aucthoritie aforesaid, that all maner of persone or persones, who hath the exercise of Ecclesiastical iurisdiction shal haue from the first daie of Julie before expressed, in their seales of Office, the Kinges highnesse armes decentlie sette with certain carectes vnder the armes, for the knowlege of the Diocese: and shall vse no other scale of iurisdiction, but wherein his Maiesties armes be engrauen, vpon paine that if any persone shal vse Ecclesiasticall iurisdiction (after the daie before expressed) in this Realme of Englande, Wales, and other his dominions, or territories, and not sende, or make out the Citation, or processe in the Kinges name, or vse any scale of iurisdiction, other then before limited: that every suche offendour shall incurre, and runne in the Kinges Maiesties displeasure, and indignacion, and suffer imprisonment at his highnesse wil and pleasure.

Provided alwaies, that no more, nor other fees bee taken, or paid for the Seale and writing of any Citacions, or other processe, then was heretofore accustomed.

Provided also, and bee it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that the Archebischoppe of Cantorbury for the time being, shall vse his owne seale, and in his owne name, in al faculties and dispensacions, according to the tenour of an Acte therof made: and that the said Archebischoppes and Bischoppes shall make, admitte, orde, and reforme their Chancellours, Officialles, Commissaries, Advocates, Proctors, and other their

their officers, ministers, and substitutes, and commissions to Suffragan Bishoppes in their owne names, vnder their owne seales, in soche maner and fourme, as thei haue heretofore vsed: and shal certifie to the Courts of Centhes, their certificats vnder their owne names & seales, as heretofore thei haue vsed, and accordyng to the statute in that case made and provided: and likewise shal make collacions, presentations, giftes, institutions, and inductiōs of benefices, letters of ordres, or dimissories, vnder their owne names and seales, as thei haue heretofore accustomed: any thing in this Acte contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that al processe hereafter to be made, or awarded by any Ecclesiastical persone or persones, for the triall of any plea, or pleas, or matter depending, or that hereafter shal depende in any of the Kinges Courtes of Recorde, at the commune lawe, and limited by the lawes and customes of this Realme, to the Spiritual Courtes to trie thesame: that the certificat of thesame, after the triall therof shalbe made in the Kinges name, for the time being, and with the stile of thesame King, and vnder the seale of the Bishoppe, graued with the Kinges armes, with the name of the Bishoppe, or Spiritual officer being to the este of thesame processe and certificat, and to euery of them.

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¶ In Acte for the punishing of vagaboundes, and for the relief of the poore and impotent persones.

Ashalmoche, as idlenesse and vagabondrie, is the mother and roote of all thestes, robberies, and all euil actes, and other mischiefes; and the multitude of people geuen thereto hath alwaies been here within this Realme very great, and more in numbze (as it maie appeare) then in other Regions, to the great empouershimment of the Realme, and daunger of the Kinges highnesse subiectes: the whiche idlenesse & vagabondrie al the Kinges highnesse noble progenitours, Kinges of this Realme, and this high Courte of Parliamt hath often and with great trauail, goen about, and assaied with godlie actes and statutes, to repress: yet vntil this our time, it hath not had that successe, whiche hath been wished, but partlie by foolish pite and mercie of them, whiche should haue seen thesaid godlie lawes executed, partlie by the peruerse nature, and long accustomed idlenesse of the persones geuen to loitering, thesaid godlie statutes hethereto hath had small effecte, and idle and vagabonde persones, being vnpofitable membzes, or rather enemies of the common wealthe, hath been suffered to remain and increase, and yet so dooer to whom, if thei should be punished by death, whipping, imprisonment, and with other corporall paine, it were not without their desertes for the example of others, and to the benefite of the common wealthe: yet if thei could be brought to be made profitable, and dooer service, it were moche to bee wished and desired.

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Be it therefore enacted by the Kinges highnesse, with the consent of the Lordes Spiritual and Temporal, & the Commons in this present Parliamente assembled, and by auctoritie of the same, first that all Statutes and Actes of Parliamente heretofore made for the punishmente of vagabondes, and sturdie beggers, and all articles compyled in the same, shalbe from henceforth repealed, voided, and of none effecte.

Secondlie, that whosoever, after the first daie of April nexte folow- yng, manne, or woman, being not lame, impotent, or so aged, or diseased with sicknesse, that he, or she cannot worke, not having landes, or tenementes, fees, annuities, or any other percellie reuenues, or profittes where on thei maie finde sufficientlie their living, shal, either like a serving man wanting a Maister, or like a begger, or after any soche other sorte, bee lurking in any house, or houses, or loitering, or idle wander by the high waies side, or in stretes, in cities, townes, or villages, not applyng them selfe to some honest, and allowed arte, science, service, or labour, and so dooe continue by the space of thre daies, or moze together, and not offer themselfes to labour with any that will take them, according to their facultie: and if no man, otherwise will take them, doe not offer themselfes to worke for meate and drinke, or after thei bee so taken to worke, for the space agreed betwixt them & their maisters, dooe leave their worke out of convenient time, or run awaie: that then every soche persone shalbe taken for a vagabonde, and that it shalbe laweful to every soche ma- ster offering soche idle persone service, and labour, and that being by him refused, or who hath agreed with soche idle persone, and from whom, within the space agreed of service, the said loiterer hath runne awaie, or departed before the ende of the couenaunt betwene them, and to any o- ther persone espyng the same to bring, or cause to bee brought the said persone so living idle, and loiteringlie, to twoo of the nexte Justices of the peace there resident, or abiding, who hearing the prouise of the idle living of the said persone by the said space living idle, as is aforesaid, approued to them by twoo honest witnesses, or confession of the partie, shal immediatlie cause the said loiterer to bee marked with an hoate I- ron in the brest, the marke of V. and adudge the said persone living so idle to soche presentour, to be his slave: to haue and to holde the said slave to him, his Executors, or assignes for the space of two yerres then nexte folowng, and to aduge the said slave, as foloweth: that is to saie, to take soche persone adjudged a slave with him, and onelie geving the said slave bread and water, or smal drinke, and soche refuse of meate, as he shall thinke meete, cause the said slave to worke by beating, chur- ning, or otherwise, in soche worke and labour (how vile soever it bee) as he shall put him unto. And if any manner of slave, either for loitering, or for the cause before rehearsed so adjudged, shall within the space of the said two yerres here appointed, runne awaie, departe, or absente him from his said Maister, by the space of. xiiij. daies together, without licence:

licence: It shal not onelie be lesul to his saied Maister to pursue & fetch him again by vertue of this Acte, but also to punishe soche faulte by chetnes, or beating, as is aforesaid: and against the deteinour, if any manne dooe willingly deteine him, knowing him to be a slaue, as is aforesaid, to haue an action of trespassse, and recouer thereby in damages ten poundes, beside the costes and charges of the suite for so detaining his saied slaue. And foorther, every soche Maister shewing, and prouing by twoo sufficient witnessses, thesaied offence and faulte of his running awaie, before twoo Justices of Peace of thesame Countie, wherof the one to be of the Quorum, thesame Justices shal cause soche slaue, or loiterer to be marked on the forehead, or the balie of the cheke with an hoate Iron, with the signe of an S. that he maie be knowen for a loiterer, and a runne awaie, and shal adiudge the loiterer, and runne awaie to be the saied Maisters slaue for ever. And if soche slaue shall the seconde time runne awaie, or absent himselfe, if thesaied Maister shall approue thesame seconde running awaie, with twoo sufficient witnessses before the Justice of Peace, in their general and quarter sessions: then every soche faulte and running awaie to be adiudged felonie, and soche loiterer and runne awaie to be taken as a felon, and therof being lawefullie indicted, and attainted, or otherwise condemned, to suffre peines of death, as other felons ought to dooe.

Provided also, and bee it enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that no Clerke convicted shal hereafter make his purgacion, and vpon soche purgacion be delivered, and sette at large otherwise then is in the Statute hereafter expessed.

And be it foorther enacted by auctoritie aforesaid that every Clerke convicted, or hereafter to bee convicted, whiche should by the ordre of the lawe enioie the benefeite of their purgacion, shall and maie from henceforth finde any man (if thei can) who shalbe bounde with twoo sufficient sureties to the ordinarie, in the sume of, xx. l. to the Kinges highnesse hse, to retaine thesaied convict as his slaue, and to kepe thesaied persone so convicted, for the space of one yere then next folowing, that he shal not goe abroad, and at large: and then thesaied convicted shalbe delivered to thesaied persone so taking thesame, and being bounde, as is aforesaid, to be his slaue for one whole yere then next folowing by vertue of this Acte, in al soche maner and fourme, and to al soche ententes and purposes, and with al soche ordre, lawes, condicions, and penalties for running awaie, or other, as is aforesaid of a vagabonde, taken loitering & made a slaue (burning in the breast onelie excepte:) and the ordinarie by the deliverie of thesaied convicted to soche persone being bounde, as is aforesaid, to be of the keeping of thesaied convicted clerelie discharged, and exonerated by vertue of this Acte.

And if so be that thesaied Clerke so convicted cannot finde any manne to be bounde, as is aforesaid, to whom he maie bee adiudged a slaue in the

the space of one yere: then at any time after the ende of one yere, after his conviction, it shalbe laweful for thesaid Clerke convicted, to make his purgacion, as he might before this estatute, any thing in this presente Acte to the contrarie notwithstanding.

And wheremas Clerkes convicted, or attainted by the ordre of the lawes of this Realme, cannot make their purgacion, and should perpetuallie by thesame remaine in prison: bee it nevertheless enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if there be any maner of persone, who wil at any time demaunde thesame Clerke convicted, or attainted, & be bounde to the ordinarie with two sufficient sureties, as is above writte, to kepe thesame as his slaue, by thespace of five yeres then nexte following, that then thesame shalbe adiudged his slaue for like space, with all soche ordres, lawes, and penalties, for running awaie, and other ordres, as is before expessed of a vagabond adiudged to any manne for a slaue (the burning in the brest onelie except) and vpon the adiudgement deliuered to soche demaundaunte, the ordinarie from thensforth of the keeping of soche Clerke convicted, or attainted, clerelic exonerated, and discharged by vertue of this Acte.

And forasmuche as diuerse women and men goeth on begging waifairing, of the whiche some be impotent and lame, and some able enough to labour, whiche dooe carrie children about with theim, some. iij. or. v. yeres of age, or younger, or elder, whiche brought bp in idlenesse might be so roted in it, that hardelie thei maie be brought after to good thriste and labour: or if any childe about the age of five yeres, and vnder the age of. xiiij. yeres, goe idlie wandring about as a vagabonde: bee it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if any maner of persone will take any soche childe, bee it male, or female, of, and from any soche begger being the mother therof, nourisher, or keper, whether thei be willing or not, or without any soche nourice, mother, or keper by himselfe wandering, and bring thesaid childe so taken a waie before one of the Constables of the Pariske, and twoo other honeste, and discrete neighbours witnesses, and before any Justice of Peace there resident, and abiding, and promise to bring thesame childe bp in some honest labour, or occupacion, til he, or she come to the age of. xx. yeres the woman childe, or. xxiij. the man childe: that then and immediatlie thesaid Justice of Peace & Constable shal adiudge by vertue of this Acte, thesaid childe vnto the ages before specified, to be seruantes or apprentices to thesaid persones so taking and promising to be bled and ordered in all pointes, according as the lawe and custome of this Realme is of seruantes and apprentices, to what labour, occupacion, or service soener thesaid Master shall appointe him, or her, during thesaid time. And if it shall fortune soche child so adiudged to runne awaie at any time, once, or moe times, from his, or her master, or maistres: that then it shalbe laweful for eury soche Master, to take thesaid childe again, and to kepe and punish thesaid childe,

childe, in cheines or otherwise, and vse him, or her as his slave, in all pointes, for the tyme befoze rehearsed of the age of soche childe, that is to saie, till twentie the woman childe, and the man childe. xxiii.

¶ Provided alwaies, that any maister, either of the men, or of the women so adiudged slaves, or of the children adiudged apprentices, or seruantes, maie lette, set forth, sel, bequeathe, or geue the service & laboz of suche slaves or seruantes so adiudged, as is aforesaid, to any persone, or persones, to whom soeuer he wil, vpon suche condicion, and for suche tyme of yeres, as thesaid persones be adiudged to him for slaves seruantes, or apprentices, after suche like sorte and maner, as he maie do of any other his moueable gooddes or cattalles: and thei for thesaid space and tyme, to be bounde to al pointes and constructions, to suche lessee, donee, vendee, or assignee, as thei were to their first apprehenders and maisters, by vertue of this Statute.

¶ Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by auctoritie aforesaid: that if any suche slave, or slaves, or childe so adiudged, shal at any tyme after suche adiudgement, maime, or wounde their maisters or maistresses, in resisting their correction, or otherwise: or when thei be shannumitted, and set again free, or in the tyme of their service, shal conspire with any other, or by themselves go about to murder & kill, or to maime, wounde, or beate thesaid maister or maistresse, or any that was their maister or maistresse, or to burne their houses, barnes, or cozne, so that their entee come to an acte tending to the effecte: that then euery suche maime or wounde, or the going about to murder, kill, maime, wounde, or beate suche persone or persones, as be, or were their maisters or maistresses, or to burne their houses, barnes, or cozne, so that their entente do come to any act tending to thesame effecte, as lying in waite with a weapon, or any suche like, shalbe accounted felonie, & thei shal suffice therfore peines of death, as in case of felonie: excepte that any suche persone or persones, as be, or had been maister or maistresse to any of them, or he refusing, any other wil take suche person so offending, to their slaves: & the he, or she so offending, to be adiudged to the person so willing to take him or her so offending slave for ever, and therupon to be discharged of the felonie. The same lawe & orde to be had in al condicions, if it shoulde chaunce the father mother nourice, or other the beater about of the child, or any other persone, or persones, to steale awaye suche childe adiudged apprentice or seruante, that is, to be slave to suche apprentices, or seruantes maister, whose apprentice or seruante was so stolen or entised awaye, for ever: & the maister neuertheless to take & receiue his said apprentice or seruante again as if thesaid taking awaye had neuer be doen.

¶ Be it also enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that although there be no man, which shal demaunde such loiterer, or loiterers, as befoze expressed, into their service: yet neuertheless the Justice of peace in that cite, borough, Towne, or Hundred dwelling, if any suche be, or els any other

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Justice of peace of thesame Shire, and also there dwelling, by his, or
their office shalbe hereafter bound by vertue of this acte, not onely to
enquire of all suche idle persones, but also if they dooe espie any suche
vagabondes, or idle persone, or if any suche bee detected vnto them, to
examine him, or her, of the tyme of their vagaboundrie: and if it shall
appeare to any Justice of peace, any suche man or woman to haue been
a vagaunt and vagabonde, or idle person, by the space, as is aforesaid,
to cause thesame to be marked on the brest with an. V. made with an
hoate yron, and also to learne and enquire of him the Toun, Citie, or
Village, whererin he was bozne, and then shal immediatly geue a wri-
ting in parchemente sealed with his seale, to thesaid loiterer, of the tes-
mour and forme, which here ensueth. **A. B.** Justice of peace in the coun-
tie of **S.** to the Shaiour, or chiefe officer of the citie of **Q.** (if it be a citie)
or to the head Borrough, Bailief, or constable, or head officer of the touns
of **Q.** (if it be a Toun) or to the Constable, or Tithing man of the
Village of **C.** (if it be a village) greeting: According to a moste godlie
Statute made in the first yere of the reigne of our Souueraine lord
king Edward the sixte. **ac.** We haue take this bearer. **I. K.** vagaunt-
lie, and to the euil example of others, without maister, seruice, or labo-
r, whereby to gette his living, going loitering idle aboute. And because
thesame saith, he was bozne in **C.** in the countie of **S.** whereof you are
the head officer or Constable: We haue sent him to you to be ordyed ac-
cording to the purpote and effect of thesame Statute. And with this
writing shal deliuer thesame loiterer to the Constables, or other head
officer of thesaid Citie, Toun, or Village, wherin suche loiterer was
taken, to be safely coueighed by them to the next Constable, and so fro
Constables to constables, or other head officers, til he or she be brought
to the place, the whiche, he, or she hath named themselves to be bozne in,
and then to bee deliuered to the head officer or Constable of that same
Citie, Borrough, or Toun, Village, Hamlette, or Parithe, there to be
nourished and kept of thesame Citie, Toun, or Village, in cheines, or
otherwise, either at the common wothes in amending high waies, or o-
ther common wothe, or from man to man in ordyng til the whiche maie
deare be equally charged to be slaue to the corporation of the citie, or to
the inhabitants of the Toun or village, that he or she were bozne in,
after all suche forme, condition, space of yeres, or yers, punishmentes for
running awaie, or al others as are expressed of a comon, or private per-
sone to whom any suche loiterer is adiudged a slaue. And thesaid citie,
Toun, or village shal see thesaid slaue being able to labour, sette on
wothe, and not lye idle within thesaid precinctes, vnder paine for every
suche defaulte, that thesaid slaue doth lye idle, by the defaulte of the
Citie, borrough, or toun, or village, by the space of thre working daies
together, the citie to forfeit. **v. l.** a Borrough, or toun incorporate. **xl. s.**
and other toun or village. **xx. s.** Wherof the one halfe to the king our
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As outrecorlorde, the other to him that wil sue for the same, in any of the henger courttes of Recorde, by bil, informacion, or action of debte, in the whiche suites, no essone, wager of lawe, or protection shalbe allowed.

Provided and be it enacted, that the Citie, Towne, & Borough corporate, by the consente of the moze parte of the copporacion: & the town and Village not corporate, by the consente of the moze parte of the inhabitants thereof, make lette, sell, or geue a waile the right, title, and interest of the said flane, to any other persone, as any other common or private persone maie doe with his flane, by the vertue of this Acte.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted, that if it fortune when the said vagabonde is brought to the said Citie, Towne, or village, where the said persone said he was bozne, to appeare, & be manifeste that he, or she was not there bozne: that then for suchie lie, the said vagraunte shalbe marked in the face with an S. and be slave to the inhabitants, or copporacion of the Citie, Towne, or Village, where the said vagraunte said he was bozne in, for ever, upon suche condicions, and orders, in all pointes, as of a slave marked in the face is before expressed: the same lawe, and order in all pointes to be had of all vagraunte persones, and vagabondes being bozne in any other nation or Countrie, then this Realme, as is before expressed of Englishe idle persones, (marking in the bryste or face onely excepted) that is, to be had to the next porte, and there to be kepte of the inhabitants of the said next porte, in comenient labour, and from idlenesse, or otherwise, till they maie be conueighed over: and then at the costes of the inhabitants of the said porte, to be conueighed over into their Countries.

And soasmuche as there is many maimed & other wise lamed, soze, aged, & impotent persones, whither resorteth to the cite of Londo, and to other cities, townes & villages, on begging: whose coming together, and making a numbre, doth fill the stretes or highe waies, of diuers cities, townes, markettes, & faires, who, if they were seperated, mought easilie be nourished in the townes & places, wherein they were bozne, or where they were, or haue been moste conuersaunte, and abiding by the space of thre yerres: Be it therfore enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that al and singular Mayours, Sherrifes, Bailifes, Constables, or other head officers of any cite, town, or hundred, to whiche suche resort is, or shalbe, that before the feast of the Purification of our ladie next folowing, see al suche idle, impotent, maimed, & aged persones, who other wise can not by their discretions bee taken for vagabondes, whiche were bozne within the said cite, Towne, or hundred, or hath been there moste conuersaunt and abiding by the space of thre yerres, as is aforesaid, & now decayed, bestowed and provided for of Tenantries, Cotages, or other comenient houses, to be lodged in, at the costes & charges of the said Cities, townes, boroughes, and villages, there to be releued and cured, by the deuotion of the good people of the said Citie, borough, town, or village.

billage. And that thei doe not suffer after the time before rehearsed, any other then suche as either were borne, or hath been for the moſte parte conuerſaunt, or abiding, by the ſpace aforeſaid, in the ſaid Citie, Borough, Village, or Towne, to remaine and begge abroad within the precinctes of ſuche Citie, Towne, villages, or Hundreds: upon paine that every ſuche Wardour, Shiriffe, and Bailiffe, Conſtable, or other head Officer, by what name ſoever he be called ſuffering any perſones to begge within the precincte of his or their ſuche iuriſdiction, other then is before rehearsed, for every thre daies ſhall forfeite .x.s. to whom ſoever will ſue thereto, by bill, Information, or action of debte, in any Courte of Record, in the whiche ſuites, no eſſoine, wager of lawe, nor protection ſhalbe allowed.

And for the better perſourmance hereof: be it enacted by authoritie aforeſaid, that the Wardour of the Citie of London, and all other Wardours, Bailiffes, Shiriffes, Conſtables, and other head officers of every citie, & towne corporate, doe with al convenient ſpede by themſelves, or their ſufficient deputies by them appointed, before the feaſte of the Purification nexte comming, and ſo from time to time, every Moneth once, make a view and examinacion of aged, impotent and lame perſones, beggers, as be within the precincte of their iuriſdiction, and ſee al ſuche as were not borne, nor hath been for the moſte parte conuerſaunt and abiding there by the ſpace for thre yeres complete, conueighed on hoſeſebacke, cart, or chariotte, or otherwiſe, as ſhal ſeme by their diſcretion, to the next Conſtable, and thei to conueigh theſame to the next Conſtable, and ſo from Conſtables to Conſtables, til theſaid perſones be brought to the place where thei were borne, or moſte conuerſaunt and abiding, as is aforeſaid, there to be provided for, kepte, and nourished of almoſe, as is aforeſaid: upon the paine, that every ſuche Wardour, Shiriffe, or Conſtable, head borough, or head officer not making view, not ſending or conueighing awaie, not receiving or not providing, as is before appointed, according to the true purpoſe or meaning of this acte, to forfeite for every ſuche defaulte .xl.s. Whereof the one halfe to the kinges uſe the other to the partie that will ſue thereto in any of the kinges Courtes of Record, by bill, information, action of debte, in the whiche ſuites, none eſſoine, wager of lawe, nor protection ſhalbe allowed.

Provided alwaies, that if any of theſaid aged, maimed, or impotent perſones, of the Citie, townes, or Villages where thei were borne in, or had their moſte abiding, as is aforeſaid, be not ſo lame or impotent, but that thei maye worke in ſome maner of worke: that then ſuche citie, Towne, Pariſhe, or Village, doe either in common provide ſome ſuche worke for them, as thei maye be occupied in, or appoint them to ſuche as will finde them worke for meate and drinke: And if thei reſuſe of wilfulneſſe and ſtubberneſſe to worke, or do runne awaie and begge in other places, then to puniſhe theſame according to their diſcretions,

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with cheining, beating, or otherwise, as shal seme to them conuenient. And for the more furtheraunce of the reliefe of suche whiche are in boundained miserie, and to whom charitie ought to be extended: be it enacted by authoritie aforesaid, that every Sundae and holie daie, after the reading of the Gospel of the daie, the Curate of every Parische do make (according to suche talent as God hath geue him) a godlie and briefe exhortacion to his Parishioners: mouing and exciting them to remember the poore people, and the duetie of Christian charitie, in relieving of them, whiche be their brethren in Christ, bozne in the same Parische, and needing their helpe.

It is also enacted, that if it shal chaunce any suche adiuudged apprentice, seruant, or slaue, as is before rehearsed, to haue inheritance descended vnto him, or her, or any other waies, by the lawes of this realme, warde, or bonde manne, or neise of bloude, by, or from any of his auncestours, to any persone or persones: That then it shalbe lawefull to any suche persone or persones, to whome any suche warde, bonde manne, or neise shal apperteigne, to seise and take suche wardes, bonde menne, or neises and them to retein and kepe, as their wardes, bonde menne, or neises. And the said wardes, bonde menne, and neises shalbe discharged of the said slaerie, or other seruitude, or bondage aboue rehearsed. This Statute, or any thing therein contained, to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

And also be it enacted, that if any suche seruant, apprentice, slaue, or slaues, whiche shal haue at any tyme hereafter any aduancement or liuing, accrue, come, or growe vnto him, or any of them, where by he, or she maie haue a conuenient liuing, that then, and from thenceforth, he or she so being aduanced, to be discharged of their slaerie, seruitude, and bondage: this Acte, or any thing therein contained to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding. Any woman being a seruant, apprentice or slaue, as is aforesaid, being married within the age of .xx. yeres, without the assent of her maister, vntil she shal accomplishe and come to the said age of .xx. yeres, onely excepted.

Be it also enacted, that all Leprouse and poore bedded creatures, whatsoeuer they be, male at their awne libertie remaine and continue in suche houses appoynted for leprouse, or bedded people, as they now be in, & shal not be compelled to repaire into any other countreies or places, by the vertue of this acte, any thing therein contained to the contrarie notwithstanding. And that also it shalbe lesull vnto the said Leprouse and bedded people, for their better reliefes, to appoynte their Doctours or Doctors, so there be not appoynted aboue the numbere of two persons, for any one house of Leprouse bedded people, to gather the charitable almosse of all suche inhabitauntes, as shalbe within the compasse of .iiij. miles of any of the said houses of leprous and bedded persones.

And be it ordeined and enacted by the authoritie abouesaid, that it

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Shalbe lawefull to every persone, to whom any persone in soune abonesated shalbe abindged a slave, to put a ring of yron about his necke, arme, or his legges, for a moze knowelege and suretie of the keeping of him. And that if any persone or persones doe take, or helpe to take any suche bonde of yron from any suche slave, that then every persone so doing without the licence or assent of his maister, shall forsaite for every suche default ten poundes sterling.

Be it further enacted, that this present acte shall, before the first daie of Marche next comming, be openly proclaimed in every Citie, Corporate Towne, and market town, upon the market daie: and also from thenceforth shal perelie be redde in every Shire openly in twoo general quarter Sessions of the peare, that is to saie at the general quarter sessions after midsummer, and the general quarter sessions next after Christmas, to the intent that every persone maie have knowelege thereof, and that this act shall indure unto the ende of the nexte Parliament.

Provided alwaies, & be it enacted, that it shalbe lawfull to the Lozde Chauncellour of England, or the lozde keeper of the great Seale for the time being, at their discretions to graunt commission under the greatescale of Englande, to every, or any persone or persones that hath, or shal have his or their houses or barnes burnt, or suche losses, to gather the reliefe and charitie of others for their aide and helpe, of his or their losses, decaie, or hinderance, as in time past hath been bled: any thing contrained in this acte notwithstanding.

An acte for Tenures holden in Capite.

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Where before this time ambigunties, questions, & doubtess have been moved and stirred in diverse & sundrie the kinges Courtes of Recorde, whether suche Honours, Castellies, Manours, landes, Tenementes and other Hereditamentes are holden of the King in Capite, whiche any his loving subiectes doe holde by knightes service, Socage, or other services of the King, as of his Duchies, Feudomes, Baronies, Honours, Castellies, manours, landes, tenementes, fees, and Reignalties, whiche have come to the handes and possession of diverse of his highnesse moste noble Progenitours, by attaindour of treason, misprision of treason, attaindours of premunire, and provision had and doen by Acte of Parliament, by hereditie, confession, conviction, or delinquerie, and offices or no offices thereupon founde, or by the dissolution, surrendre, or geving up to the King, or to any his noble Progenitours, of any Religious or Ecclesiasticall houses or places, or of any Manours, Landes, Tenementes, and other hereditamentes, to any of the same religious or Ecclesiasticall houses or places in any wise appertaining or belonging, or no: By meanes of whiche doubtess so moved, his said humble and obedient Subiectes and Tenauntes have been heretofore muche inquieted.

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molested, and greued: wherefore the king our Soueraine Lorde intending, and enticelle desiring the quietnesse of his saied Subiectes, and that the certaintie of his lawes in that behalfe might bee knownen, and declared to his saied leuing Subiectes, for a plaine declaration and resolution to bee had, of, for, and concerning the premises, at the humble petition and suite of the Lordes and Commons in this present Parliament assembled, doeth ordeine, declare, and enacte by the assente of the Lordes Spiritual and Temporal, and of the commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authoritie of the same, that all suche honours, castelles, manours, landes, tenementes, and other hereditamentes, and euery of them, whiche now be, or at any time hereafter shalbe holden of the king, or of any of his heires or successours, by any of his saied Subiectes, by knightes service, Sockage or otherwise, as of any of his or their Dukedomes, Erledomes, Baronies, Castelles, Manours, landes, tenementes, fees, or Seigniories, whiche be com to the king, or his mozte noble Progenitours, or hereafter shal come to the king, his heires or successours, by meanes of any suche Attainder, conviction, Vtiagarie, or of any suche dissolution, surrendre, or geuing bp of any religious or Ecclesiastical houses or places, or of any Honours, landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes to any of thesaied religious or Ecclesiastical houses or places in anywise belonging or appertaining, shall not from henceforth bee adiudged, demed, taken or construed to any intent, construction or purpose, to be holden in Capite, or as Tenure in Capite: any ambiguitie, question, or doubte heretofore moued to the contrarie notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and bee it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that this acte or any thing therein contained, shal not in anywise be prejudicial ne hurtful to the king, his heires, or successours, to, for, or concerning any wardeship, luerie, primer seison, fine for alienacion, or to, or for any other profite or aduantage, whiche now is come, or hereafter shall, or maye come, fall or growe to the king, his heires, or successours, by, or from any persone, or persons, whiche now doeth, or hereafter shall holde any honour, seigniories, castelles, manours, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes of the king in Chiefe, as of his persone, or of any other his auncient possessions, and being not come to the king by any suche attainder, confession, conviction, vtiagarie, dissolution, geuing bp, or surrender, as be abovesaid.

Provided also, and bee it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that this presente Acte, or any thing therein contained or specified, shall not in any wise, or by any meanes, geue any aduantage, libertie, or profite to any Tenant or owner in Fee simple, of any Honours, Manours, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes, whiche haue heretofore sued any speciall or generall luerie, or ouster le mayne, out of the handes of the king, or of any his noble progenitours, of any Honours,

manours, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes, by what tenor or service they were, or be holden, or that have, or shal cōfesse by any manner of record, any tenor in chiefe of the King, but that that, their heires and assignes shall have and holde the same manours, landes, tenementes, and other hereditamentes, in like manner and forme, as they did before the making of this present acte, and as though this present Act had never been had, ne made: any thing above declared and enacted to the contrary notwithstanding.

¶ In acte that no horses shalbe conveyed out of this realme, and other the Kinges dominions without licence.

¶ The. vi. Chapter.



Here before this time, diverse of the Kinges Subiectes, and namelie of the North partes of this realme, aswel in time of peace as of warre, have conveyed, solde, geuen & deliuered out of this realme, aswel into Scotland, as into other fozeine realmes, beyond the sea many & diverse great multitude of horses, geldinges & mares, whiche have been thought, aswel great occasion, strength and boldnesse to the Scottishmen, & other the Kinges fozeine enemies having in possesse the same horses, geldinges & mares. In time of warre to invade this realme, as also a great decay of the good breede of horses and mares, whiche before time hath been within this realme, to the great detriment & hinderance of the Kinges poore Subiectes, towarde the defence of this realme and other his dominions: For remedie wherof, be it therfore enacted by our Souverain lord the King, and by the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by the auctoritie of the same, that if any persone, or persones, after the firste date of Januarie next comming, doe sel, exchange, geue, convey, or deliuer in to the realme of Scotland, to the vse of any Scottishman, or doe carie, geue, exchange, sel, sende, convey, or deliuer into any place beyond the sea, out of this realme, or the dominions of the same, any horse, gelding, or mare without speciall licence therfore to be obtained of the Kinges highnesse, or of his heires, under the great seale of this realme, or under the priuie signate: or if any persone, or persons, after the said firste date of Januarie, do sel, exchange, geue, or deliuer to any Scottishman within this realme of Englande or Wales, the townes of Berwicke, or the marches of the same, to thintent to be conveyed into Scotland, any horse, gelding, or mare, or do convey or carie any horse, mare, or gelding in to any fozein parties beyond the sea, without like speciall licence obtained of the Kinges highnesse, or of his heires, under the great seale, or priuie signate as is aforesaid: that then the same person and persons so offending, contrary to this act, shall lose & forfeit to our Souverain lord and his heires, the same horse, mare, or gelding so caried and conveyed, and shal also lose and forfeit the summe of fourtie poundes for every

every suche horse, gelding, or mare so to be conueighed & caried in forme aforesaid: Whereof the one moitie to bee to the King, and the other moitie to him, or them, that will sue for the same, by information, action of debte, or detinue in any of the Kinges Courtes of Record, in whiche suite, no wager of lawe, essoine, ne protection shalbe allowed: And that also all, and every persone and persones so offending, contrarie to this acte, shall suffre imprisonment by the space of one whole yere.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that it shalbe lesfull, aswell to the warden & wardens of the East, West, and middle marches for the time being, in their warden courtes, as also to all and every the Kinges Justices of peace, in every Shire, aswel in Englande, as in Wales, in their quarter sessions, to inquire of al and every offence or offences hereafter to be perpetrated, committed, or doen contrarie to this act: And that it shalbe lesfull to al and every persone & persons being the Kinges subiectes, to arrest & imprison every Scottishman, & al and every other persone, or persones, whiche shal leade, or conueigh contrarie to the meaning of this Acte, any suche horse, gelding, or mare, out of this realme into the said realme of Scotlande, or into any other forrein place beyond the sea, other the suche persones, as hereafter shal haue sufficient warrant, by, or from the Kinges highnesse or his heires vnder his, or their great seale, or priue signate, according to the meaning of this act.

Whoulded alwaies, & be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if the King our Souerain Lord, his heires or successours, at any time hereafter, vnder his great seale, or priue signate, do geue licence, to any persone or persones, to carie or conueighe any horses, mares, or geldinges into Scotlande, or into any other parties beyond the sea, or els do geue auctoritie, power, or commaundement to any persone or persones, by warrant, vnder the Kinges great seale, to licence any other persone or persones to carie, or conueighe any horses, mares, or geldinges into Scotlande, or into any parties beyond the sea, that then it shalbe lesfull, aswel to al & singular persone & persons hauing suche licence vnder the Kinges great seale, or priue signate, as to al & every other persone, and persones, hauing licence in writing vnder the seale of suche persone, or persones to whom the King shal geue auctoritie, power, or commaundement, in forme abovesaid, to licence other persone, or persons to carie or conueigh any horses, mares, or geldinges into Scotlande, or into any parties beyond the sea, to carie & conueigh suche numbze of horses, geldinges or mares, or any of them into Scotlande, or into any of the parties beyond the sea as shalbe mentioned in any such licence, as is before specified: any thing mentioned in this act to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

Whoulded alwaies, & be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that this acte ne any thing therein contained, shal in any wise extende, to any persone, or persons, whiche at any time hereafter shal carie, or conueigh any horse, mare, or gelding into Scotlande, or into any other forrein parties

parties beyonde the sea, to serue the King in his warres, with the same horses, Mares, or geldinges, any thing mencioned in this Acte, to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

And to the intent the Kinges Maieste shall not hereafter be deceived in the number of suche horses, mares, or geldinges, whiche hereafter shall be caried and conueighed into Scotland, that the parties, whiche hereafter shall obtaine any licence by force of this acte, for the cariage or conueighaunce of any horses, mares, or geldinges, to bee caried or conueighed into Scotland: Be it therefore enacted by thantientie asforesaid, that al and every suche persone or persones, whiche hereafter shall be licenced, according to this acte, to carie or conueigh any horses, mares, or geldinges into Scotland, shall before the same cariage, or conueighaunce, vnder the paine of forfeiture of the said horse, mare, or gelding, or the double value thereof: wherof the one moitie to be to the king, and the other moitie to him, or them, that will sue for the same by suche like action, as before is limited in this acte, shewe his, or their said licence, to one of the thre Wardens of the thre marches of Englande, to the intent that one of the said Wardens shall cause the name of the said horses, mares, or geldinges so licenced to bee conueighed into Scotland, not onely to be kalenderd in a booke, to remain in his awne custodie: but also to be endorssed and witten on the backe side of the said licence, and the same endorssment to be signed with the hands of the said Warden.

Shoulded also, that it shall be lefull to every of the Kinges Subiectes, that shall passe ouer beyonde the sea, to ship and carie with them, horses, or geldinges, for their onely occupation in their iourneies, and not to the intent to sell the same beyonde the sea: And that intent to be iudged by the othe of him, or them, that so will carie ouer any horse, or gelding, whiche othe shall be taken before the Customers, or their deputies or seacher of every suche Port, where the same horse, or gelding shall be shipped before the shipping thereof.

Shoulded also, that the Warden of the fine portes now being, or hereafter to be, make perelle at his pleasure, gene six horses or geldinges, and nomore, within one yere, at one, or diuerse times, vpon like paine, as is asforesaid, to any persone or persones, in the parties beyonde the seas, being in amitie with the Kinges highnesse, or his successours: this acte or any thing therein to the contrarie notwithstanding.

Shoulded also, that this acte, nor any thing therein mencioned, be in any wise hurtfull or prejudiciall to the maister of the Kinges horses now, or hereafter to be, for suche thinges or comodities, as shall do concerne his office any thing in this acte to the contrarie notwithstanding.

Shoulded also, that it shall be lefull to any the Kinges Subiectes, to carie, or sende into any parties beyonde the sea, any mares, wherof the price of any one Mare so to be caried, doth not excede .x. s. in suche and like manner, as Mares being of the price of .vi. s. viii. d. haue been, or

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might have been contrieghed ouer the Seas, befoze the making of this acte: any thing in this acte, or in any other act or actes heretofore made to the contrarie hereof notwithstanding.

**An Acte for the continuance of making
of woollsted yarne in Nozfolke.**

The. vi. Chapitre.



Here the greatest and almost the whole nūbre of the poze inhabitauntes of the countie of Nozfolke and the citie of Nozwich, be, and haue been heretofore for a great time maintained, & gotten their liuing by spinning of the wolles growing in the said countie of Nozfolke upon the rocke into yarne, and by al the said time haue vsed to haue their accesse to common markettes within the said countie and citie, to buie their wolles there to be spunne as is aforesaid, of certain persones called retailers of the same wolles by eight penie worth, and twelue penie worth at one time or therabout, and haue not vsed to buie, ne can buie their said wolles of the breders of the same wolles by such smal percelles, as well for that the said breders of the said wolles wil not sell their said wolles by such smal percelles, as also for that the moste parte of the said poore persones dwell farre of fro the said breders of the said wolles: And forasmuche as by an acte of parliament made in the. xxxvii. yere of the reigne of the noble king of famous memorie Henrie the. vii. all persones be restrained vpon a great peine, to buie any wolles to sell the same again, except merchautes of the Staple, for the onely prouision of the Staple, as in the said acte among other thinges more at large it is contained: therefore the said retailers of wolles in the said countie of Nozfolke and citie of Nozwich, whiche heretofore haue vsed to buie wolles, and to sell them againe to the said poore persones in ouert markettes, as is aforesaid, haue sence the making of the said Statute in eschewing the daungier and peine provided by the same, ceased and lefte to buie the said wolles, for the redress of the said poore persones: By reason whereof, the same poore persones inhabiting within the said countie of Nozfolke and citie of Nozwich, that hath heretofore been spinners, and maintained by spinning of the said wolles, be now vncoccupied & vnset at worke, and a great nūbre of them enforced to begge for lacke of worke, to the utter decaye and ruine of the poore people of the said Countie and Citie, and the inhabitauntes thereof, oulesse some remedie be therein provided. In consideration whereof, it may please the kinges most royal Maiestie, by the assent of the lordes spiritual & temporal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by authoritie of the same, that all & euery persone and persones dwelling and inhabiting within the said countie of Nozfolke and citie of Nozwich, or in either of them, by his, or themselves, or by his

by his, or his factours, seruants or seruantes made lawfullie frō henceforth, without peine, forfaiture, danngier, or breach of any lawe or ordinance, to buye and bargain wolles, and take and make provision to buye or bargain wolles growing, or that shal grow only within the said countie of Norfolk, in as large and like maner and sournie, as the same inhabitauntes within the said countie & Citie might, and did use to do, befoze the making of the said acte of Parliament, and as the said acte of Parliament had verie been had or made, so that the same persone and persons so buying or bargaining, or making promise to buye or bargain the said wolles, doe sell or retails the same againe in the common market, or other open place within the said countie of Norfolk or Citie of Norwich, to any persone or persones at their pleasure and libertie that will buye the same, or any paxel thereof, dwelling and inhabiting within the said countie and citie of Norwich, or any of them, that shal or will spinne the same within the said countie of Norfolk, and Citie of Norwich, or any of them: the said former acte, or any article, clause or sentence therein contained, or any other acte or actes, lawe, or ordinance heretofore made, to the contrarie thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And where in the Parliament holden at Westminster the xxxiii. yere of the reigne of our said late Soueraine Lorde the King, it was amongst other thinges enacted thus, as ensueth, or like in effect, that is to saie, that no persone or persones from henceforth, shoulde buye, ne cause to be bought within the said Citie of Norwich, or Countie of Norfolk, any yarne spinne of the roche, called woolsted yarne, the whiche shoulde then after that be spinne within the said Countie or Citie, but suche persone or persones being weners of woolsted, Russels, Stamine, Saies, and suche other like clothes, within the said Citie or Countie, that shoulde worke or worke, or cause to be wouen or wrought in woolsted, Stamine, Russellen, Saies, or suche other like clothes, the said yarne so bought or caused to be bought within the said Citie or Countie, in the Citie of Norfolk, or in some market town within the said Countie: vpon the peine and forfaiture, for every pound weight of the said yarne called woolsted yarne, so bought within the said Countie or Citie, and not wouen or brought, as is aforesaid, within the said Citie or countie, fourtie shillings, the one halfe thereof to be to the King our Soueraine lord, & the other halfe thereof to be to him, or them that shoulde then after that sue for the same; by bill, Information, Action of debt, or otherwise in any court of Record, in whiche said action, bill, or information, no effoine, wager of lawe, soper plen, or protection shoulde be allowed. And where it is also ordeined in the said acte that if any persone or persones, did after the firste daie of Aprill then nexte after the said acte ensuing, ship, or carie, or coueright, or cause to be shipped, to carie, or coueright into the parties beyonde the sea, or did carie or coueright into the parties beyonde the sea, any yarne called woolsted yarne

yarne not made, or wrought in cloth, so that soche yarne were spun with in this Realme, that then every person and persones so shipping, conueighing, and carrying, or causing soche yarne so to be shipped, carried, and conueighed, should forsaite for every pounce of Woolsted yarne so shipped, conueighed, or carried, xl. s. the one halfe therof to be to our said soueraine Lord the King, and the other halfe therof to him, or them that should sue for thesame, by bille, information, or action of debte in any of the Kinges Courtes of recorde, as in thesaid Acte thesame, or the like in effecte, more plainlie dooeth & maie appeare. And forasmuche as thesaid acte was made and ordeined to continue & endure vntil the Parlaunte then after that next ensuing, & hath been sithens by other general Actes continued vntil this present Parlaunte, & was not by any of thesaid Actes ordeined to continue for euer: It maie now please the Kinges most excellent Maiestie, with the assent of the Lordes Spiritual, & Temporal, & the Communes in this present Parlaunte assembled, & by auctoritie of thesame, that al the afoze recited acte for yarne, with al the woordes, forsaictures, paines, & sentences befoze recited, as thesame be befoze recited & declared, maie frohenforth be enacted to continue, & to be taken for an Acte to continue for euer, to al entetes & purposes, according to thesaid woordes, sentences, & the purpozt therof befoze in this act recited.

Provided alwaie, that it shalbe lesul to every persone & persones, being a hattermaker, or hatmakers, dwelling within thesaid citie of London, to buie soche of thesaid Woolsted yarne, as is called and knowen by the name of middle bffe yarne, as thei and every of them haue heretofore dooen, & bled to dooe, so that thesame middle bffe yarne so bought by thesaid hatmakers, or hatmaker, be wrought in hattes, or emploied to hatmaking within thesaid citie: any thing befoze recited, to the contrary therof notwithstanding.

The. liij. Chapitre.

An Acte for the continuance of Actions after the death of any King.



Here the Kinges subiectes heretofore haue to their greate costes, charges, and expences, prosecuted, and sued diuerse and sundrie Actions, aswel real and personall, as all other Actions mixt, or otherwise, in the Kinges Maiesties courtes, and other courtes of recorde, not onely by writtes, but also by plainte, or billes, whiche actions, suites, billes, & plaintes, by the death, or demise of the Kinges of this realme, haue been discontinued, & the parties in every soche Actions, suites, billes, & plaintes, thereby haue been put without daie, whereby the demaundauntes, plaintiffes, & actors in every soche action and sute were compelled and driuen by the orde of the lawes of this realme, for their soother remedie, to comence & begin again his, or their said actions, suites, or plaintes, or els to prosecute, & sue resommons, attachementes, Scire facias, or soche other like

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processe, to reuue his, or their said actiōs, suites, or plaintes, whiche was not onely to their great costes, charges, expenses, hinderaunces, and delaie of their causes and suites, but also a great let and hinderaunce of iustice. for reformation wherof, bee it ordeined, established, and enacted by the king our Soueraine Lorde, & the Lordes & Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of thesame, that from henceforth by the death, or demise of the Kinges Whieslie that now is, (whose life almightie God long preserve here and mainteine in his most roial estate) nor by the death or demise of any that hereafter shalbe King of this Realme, any action, suite, bille, or plainte, now, or that hereafter shal depende betwene partie and partie in any of the Courtes aforesaid shal not in any wise be discontinued, or put without daie: But that the processe, plects, demurres, and continuances in euery action, actions, suites, billes, or plaintes, whiche now, or that hereafter shal depende, shal stande good and effectual, and be prosecuted, & sued forth in soche manner and forme, and in thesame estate, condicion, and orde, as if thesame King had liued, or continued in ful life, the death or demise hereafter of any King of this Realme notwithstanding. And that all and all manner of iudicial processe that hereafter shalbe had, or pursued in the time of the reigne of any other King, then reigned at the time of the pursuite of the original, or other former processe, shalbe made in the name of the King, that for the time shal reigne, and be King of this Realme, and that variance touching thesame processe betwene the names of the Kinges, shal not be in any wise material, as concerning any defaulte to be alleged, or objected therfore.

And also be it forther established & enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid that al and euery Assise of novel disseisin, assise of mortdauncestor, iuris vtrum, & atteint, whiche at any time hereafter shalbe arreigned, comenced or sued befoze any of the Kinges Justices of assise, shal not from henceforth be discontinued or put without daie, by reason of death, newe commission, associacion, or not coming of thesame iustices of assise, or any of them, but shal stand good & effectual in the lawe, to al ententes, constructions and purposes, the death, newe commission, associatio, or not coming of thesame Justices, or any of them, in any wise notwithstanding.

And ouer that, be it ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that albeit any demaundaunt or plaintife in any manner of action, bille, or suite, shal fortune to be made, or created Duke, Archebischoppe, Marques, Earle, Viscount, Baro, Bishop, Knight, Justice of the one benche, or of the other, or Sergeaunt at lawe, depending thesame action, bil, or suite, yet that notwithstanding, that no writ, action, or suite, shal for soche cause in any wise be abatable or abated, but shal remaine in like force, goodnesse, and strength, as thesame was befoze, any lawe, or vsage to the contrarie, in any wise notwithstanding.

And also be it ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that
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albeit any persone, or persones being Iustice of assise, Iustice of Gaole deliuerie, or Iustice of peace within any of the Kinges dominions, or being in any other of the Kinges Commissions whatsoeuer, shal fortune to be made, or created Duke, Archebishop, Marques, Earle, Viscount, Baron, Bishop, Knight, Iustice of thone bench, or of thother, or sergraunt at lawe, or Shyref, yet that notwithstanding, he, & thei shal remaine iustice & commissioner, & haue full power & aucthoritie to execute thesame, in like maner & forme, as he, or thei might, or ought to haue doen before thesame

And be it ordeined and enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that in all cases, where any persone, or persones heretofore haue been, or hereafter shalbe found gilty of any maner of treason, murder, manslaughter, rape, or other felonie whatsoeuer, for the whiche iudgement of death shoulde, or maie ensue, and shalbe repried to prison without iudgement at that time geuen against him, her, or them so found gilty, that those persones that at any time hereafter shal by the Kinges lettres Patentes bee assigned Iustices to deliuer the Gaole, where any soche person, or persones found gilty shal remaine, shall haue full power and aucthoritie to geue iudgement of death against soche persone so founde gilty, and repried, as the same iustices, before whom soche person or persones was, or were found gilty might haue dooen, if their commission of Gaole deliuerie had remained and continued in full force and strength. And ouer that, that no maner of processe, or suite made, sued, or had before any Iustices of Assise, gaole deliuerie, Oyer and terminer, iustice of peace, or other of the Kinges commissioners, shal, ne in any wise be discontinued by the making and publishing of any newe commission or association, or by altering of the names of the iustices of assise, gaole deliuerie, Oyer and terminer, iustices of peace, or other the Kinges Commissioners, but that the newe iustices of assise, Gaole deliuerie, and of the peace, & other Commissioners maie procede in euery behaulfe, as if the olde commissions, and Iustices, and commissioners had still remained and continued not altered.

The. viij. Chapitre.

In Acte for the confirmation of lettres Patentes.

Where the Kinges moste excellent highnesse sithen the. x. viij. date of Januarie, in the first yere of his Maiesties reigne, aswell vpon diuerse and sundrie good considerations his Maiestie speciallie mouing, as also otherwise, hath bargained, solde, exchaunged, geuen, restored, and graunted by his graces seuerall lettres Patentes, indentures, or other writings sealed vnder his highnesse great Seale of Englande, the Seale of his Duchie of Lancaster, & the Seale of the Courte of Augmentacion, & the Reuenues of his Crowne, or any of them, as wel to bodies politique and corporate, as to diuerse and sundrie of his louing and obediante subiectes, diuerse and sundrie honours, castelles, manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuercions, seruices, personages appropriated, aduousons, ti-

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Hies, oblations, pensions, portions, franchises, privileges, liberties, &
 other hereditamentes, commodities & profitees in fee simple, fee tail,
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 lettres Patentes, Indentures, and other writings, and of the said ma-
 nours, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, and other thinges in them
 contained, sundrie and many ambiguities, doubttes, and questions have
 or might hereafter happen to be moved, objected, alleged, inuented, pro-
 cured, or stirred, aswel for misnaming, misrecital, or none recital of any
 of the same Honours, castelles, manours, landes, tenementes, and other
 the premises, or any parcell thereof, or for lacke of finding of officers, or
 inquisitions, of, and in the premises, whereby the title of the Kinges
 highnesse therein ought to have been found before the making of the same
 lettres Patentes, or other writings, or for misrecital, or none recital of
 leasses thereof before made aswel of recorde as not of recorde, or for lacke
 of the certaintie, miscasting rating, or setting forth of the perellie values
 and rates of the premises, or of the perellie rates reserved, of, and for the
 premises, or any parcell thereof mentioned, or contained in any of the said
 lettres Patentes, or other writings, or for that the premises be, or a-
 ny parte thereof is valued to a more, or lesse value in the said lettres Pa-
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 tes, and other the premises then were, or shalbe in perellie value, or for
 misnaming of the Townes, hamlettes, parishes, or countie, where the
 same Honours, castelles, manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, heredi-
 tamentes, and other the premises, and every parcell thereof, or any parcell
 thereof lien, or been, or for lacke of the true naming of the natures, kin-
 des, sortes, and quantities of the said possessions, or hereditamentes, or
 any parcell thereof, or for lacke of the true naming of the coppozacion of
 the same bodies politique, or coppozate, or for lacke of attornment, lue-
 reie, or season, or for misnaming of any of the late tenants, or fermours
 of the same premises so solde, given, graunted, or exchaunged, as for di-
 verser and sundrie other suggestions and surmises not comprised in the
 said lettres Patentes, whiche hereafter might happen to be moved, sur-
 mised, or procured against the same lettres Patentes: For remedie & re-
 formation wherof be it ordeined and enacted by the Kinges moste excel-
 lent highnesse, with thassent of the Lordes Spiritual & Temporal, & the
 commons in this present Parliamente assembled, & by thauthoritie of the
 same, that aswel al & every the said lettres Patentes, indentures, & other
 writings, & every of them sealed with, or under the seale or seales above
 named, or any of them made, or graunted by the Kinges highnesse sithe the
 the xxviii. daie of Januarii last past, as also all and singular his graces
 lettres Patentes, indentures, and other writings hereafter, during his
 highnesse life (whiche our Lozde long continue) to be had, made, or graun-
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ted with, or vnder any of the seales abovesaid, to any bodie politique, or corporate, or to any other persone, or persones of any Honour, castelles, manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuercions, seruices, personages, tithes, pencions, porcions, aduoucons, nominacions, presentacions, franchises, liberties, and other hereditamentes, commodities, possessions, and profites, of what kinde, nature, or qualitie soeuer thei, or any of them be, is, or shalbe, or by whatsoeuer name or names thei or any of them be, is, or shalbe named, known, or reputed, shal stande & be taken, reputed & iudged good, sure, perfecte, effectual, & auailable in the lawe, during the statutes in them limited and specified, to al ententes, respectes, constructions and purposes against the King his heires, & successours without any confirmation, licence, dispensacion, or tolleracion of the King, his heires or successours: any the causes or matiers aboue mencioned, cōteinēd, or hereafter during his said highnesse life to bee continued, had, or made in any soche lettres Patentes, indentures, or other writings by the King our Souererein lozde, to the cōtrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaie, that this Acte, ne any thing therein contained, shal not in any wise extende to reuue, or make good any lettres Patentes made of any office, or offices to any comptroller, customer, alneger, or searcher, ne to any lettres Patentes of the graunte of any other office, or offices heretofore graunted, or made by our said Soueremaine Lozde the King whiche now is, or be, or at any time heretofore haue been adnichelated, determined, or made voide by iudgement, by aucthoritie of Parliamente or decree, nor to any patēt to be made to any person or persons for terme of yeres, or during the minoritie of an heire, or, or in any manours, lādes or tenementes, wherof any traueise hereafter shalbe tendred within thre monethes after any office sounde and certified into any of the Kinges Courtes of Recoꝛde, ne to any leasses, or grauntes of any manours, landes, or tenementes of our said Soueremaine Lozdes hereafter to be made vnder any of the Seales of the Courtes aforesaid, contrarie to the limitation, ordinance, provision, establishment and aucthoritie of the same courtes, any thing in this Acte contained to the cōtrarie notwithstanding.

Provided also, and be it enacted, that this Acte, nor any thing therein contained shal not extende to make any lettres Patentes of any office, or offices, to be of any other effecte, force, or strength, then the same lettres Patentes were, or should haue been before the making of this Acte.

Provided alwaie, and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that al and singular soche Patentees, grauntees, donees, as any time hereafter during the life of our said Soueremaine Lozde (whiche almightie God long preserve) shal fortune to haue, or obtaine any Castelles, manours, landes, tenementes, tithes, pencions, porcions, or other hereditamentes of the gifte, graunt, sale, or exchange of the Kinges Maiestie, or of the onely gifte of the Kinges Maiestie, of his moste liberall disposicion, and not solde, whiche at the daie of the date of the lettres Patentes therof

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made, shal be of moze, or better yecelle value to the King in yecelle rents and ferme, then shalbe contained, mentioned, and specified in any soche lettres Patentes, and particulars therof made by the particular Surueilour, or Surueilours therof, and in soche bil, or bulles, as shalbe signed and sealed with the hande, or handes of the patentee, or patentees therof to be exhibited to the Kinges Maiestie, or his Officer, or Officers, within whose surueie thesaid Manours, landes, and tenementes, and other the premises, or any parte therof shalbe, or within any of theim, whiche bille shalbe signed, sealed, had, and made, as is aforesaid, before any bille shalbe therof signed by the Kinges Maiestie: that then euery of thesaid Patentees, grauntees, and donees, their heires, executors, and administrators within one yere nexte after due proufe, and decrees therof made and had in the Courte, within whose surueie thesame Castelles, manours, landes, tenementes, & other the premises, or any parcell therof, before thesaid giftes and grauntes were, shal content and paie to the King for thesame ouerplus, and moze value of thesame manours, landes, tenementes, tithes, pensions, portions and other hereditamentes to him sold, or exchaunged, after soche rate, as other landes and tenementes were before to him solde, or exchaunged, and for the ouerplus and moze value of soche landes and tenementes as shal happen to bee geuen by the Kinges Maiestie, and not solde, as is abovesaid, thesaid patentee, his heires, executors, or administrators shal content and paie to the King after the rate of twentieth yeres purchase, so that thesame proufe and decree be had, and made in maner and fourme abovesaid, within .x. yeres nexte after the date of thesaid lettres patentes.

¶ The .ix. Chapitre.

¶ An Acte for the buying of certain Churches within the Citie of Yorke.



Here in the auncient Citie of Yorke and suburbs of thesame, there are many Parische Churches, whiche heretofore thesame being wel inhabited and replenished with people, were good and honest liuinges for learned Incumbentes, by reason of the priue tithes of the riche Marchauntes, & of the offeringes of a great multitude whiche liunges is now so moche decayed by the ruine and decaye of thesaid Citie, and of the trade of marchaundise there, that the reuenues and profictees of diuerse of thesame benefices are at this present not aboue the clere yecelle value of. xxvi. s. viii. d. so that a great sorte of them are not a competent and honest liuing for a good curate: yea, and no persone wil take the cure, but that of necessity there is some chauntie Priest, or elles some late religious persone being a stipendiarie taken and appointed to thesaid cure and benefice, whiche for the moste parte are vnlarned, and very ignoraunt persones, not able to dooe any parte of their duties: By reason wherof thesaid citie is not onelie replenished with blinde guides and Pastours, but also the

the people moche kepte in ignoraunce, aswell of their duties towardes God, as also towardes the Kinges Maestie, and the common wealth of this Realme, and to the great daunger of their soules: In consideration wherof, and for the better relief and orde of thesaid cite, it maie please the Kinges Maestie by thassent of the Lordes Spiritual & Temporal and the Commons in this present Parliament assembled, & by chaunthortie of thesame, that from henceforth it shalbe laweful to the Maiour, & Recorder of thesaid cite, & to the ordinarie or his Deputie, & .vi. Justices of peace in thesaid cite, to unite & knit together thesaid Parishes into fewer numbze, that is to wete, so many of thesaid Parishes into one Parithe, as to them shalbe thought conuenient to be a liuing for one honest incumbent, so the cleare yerelie value of one Parithe excede not .xx. li. by pere, and so to procede through thesaid cite and suburbs of thesame. And that it shalbe lefull for thesaid Maiour, Recorder, and Aldermen to pull doune the Churches, whiche thei shall thinke superfluous in the said cite and suburbs of thesame, and to bestowe thesame towarde the reparacions and enlargements of the other Churches, of the bzidges in thesaid cite, and to the reliefe of the pooze people. And soother, that the said Maiour, Recorder, Ordinarie, or his Deputie, and .vi. Justices of peace being Aldermen, shal allotte and appoint the presentmentes & patronage of the Church so united to the patrons of all the Churches, to knit in one Parithe, that thei maie make their presentmentes by turne, euery one according to their quantitie of his former patronage.

Provided alwaies and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that al soche incumbentes of the Churches aforesaid, that shalbe put doune by vertue of this Acte, shal haue the yerelie value of their benefices after the rate thei dooe paie tenthes during their lifes, so thei wil dooe service therefoze in the Church appointed for the Parithe Church, according to their former duties: And if thei refuse to serue, then thei onelie during their lues so haue the thirde parte of the value, as is aforesaid, & to bee paid at the hādes of the incumbent of the parish church to be appointed.

Provided also, and be it enacted by chaunthortie aforesaid, that the incumbentes of euery soche Church, whiche by vertue of this Acte shalbe made and ordeined for the Parithe Church, & wherunto any other Parithe, or Parishes shalbe united, shall after the union therof, yerelie paie the tenthes to be due for thesame to the Kinges Maestie, his heires and successours of thesame Church, and of al other Churches therunto united & annexed. And thesaid incumbentes of the Parithe Church so united, to haue his allowance of the incumbents of the Churches so united therunto, during their seuerall lifes, according to the rate and porcion of the Churches so united, as shalbe assigned by the abovesaid persones, hauing auctoritie by this Acte to unite thesame. And the successours & successors of euery soche incumbent of euery soche Church, as shalbe made the Parish Church, & wherunto any Church or Parithe shalbe united

by force of this Acte, shal passe, or compounde for the first fructes thereof at every avoidance before his inductio to the same, according to soche perelle value, as soche Church, or Churches, as shalbe made a Parische Church, and wherunto any Church, or Churches, Parische, or Parishes shalbe united by force of this Acte, shalbe of at the time of the union therof, and as if it had been of soche like perelle value at the time of making of the Statute for first fructes and tenthes, and of no greater value: any ordinance, statute, or lawe, to the contrarie notwithstanding.

The .i. Chapitre.

An Acte for exigentes and Proclamacions in Wales, and in the countrie Palantine of Chester, & also in the cite of Chester.



Here in the high Courte of Parliament holden at Westminster the .xxvij. yere of the moste prosperous reigne of the late famous King Henrie the eight, by the assent of the Lordes Spiritual and Temporal, & the commons assembled in the said high Courte of Parliamente: It was enacted & established by auctoritie of the same Parliamente, that his highnesse dominion & principallitie of Wales, and al Manours, landes, tenementes, and other dominions within the said dominion and principallitie of Wales, should be divided into twelue Shieres, or Counties, that is to saie, the Shieres or counties of Glamorgan, Radnour, Brecknock, Harmerthen, Denbroke, Cardigan, Merioneth, Montgomery, Flint, Carnarua, Anglese, & Denbigh, in euery of whiche said counties & Shieres, amongst the officers perelle appointed, it was then ordeined that there should be distinct and seuerall Shieriefes perelle: & also where the counties Palantine of Chester, and of the cite of Chester, be auncient and seuerall counties Palantine of theselues, in al whiche said counties, the Kinges writt hath not, nor yet dooeth not runne: So that the Proclamacion awarded vpon any exigent against any persone, or persones, in any action, wherin processe of outlawrie dooeth lie according to the statute made in the .vi. yere of the reigne of the said late King, cannot be directed vnto the Shierif or Shieriefes of any of the said Shieres or counties, but vnto the Shierif of the countie next adioining: So that the partie dwelling in any of the said Shieres or counties, against whom any soche exigent and Proclamacion shalbe so awarded, shal not, nor can haue any knowelege of the same sute, or processe, by reason wherof many of the persones inhabiting in the said Shieres and counties, without knowelege, or cause of sute, haue been wrongfullie and vniustlie vtaged to their vtter vndoing: Be it therefore, & for diuerse other good considerations, by the King our Souerain Lorde, with the assent of the Lordes Spiritual & Temporal, and the Commons in this presente Parliamente assembled, & by the auctoritie of the same enacted, ordeined, and established, that if and when soeuer any writt of exigent at any time after the first daie of April nexte coming shalbe awarded at the sute of the King, or of any other persone,

oꝛ persones plaintife, oꝛ plaintifes; in any action oꝛ suite, in any of the courtes of our said Souuerain loꝛde the King, his heires oꝛ successours: commonlie called the Kinges Benche, and the common place, against any person, oꝛ persones dwelling in any of the aforesaid counties in Wales, oꝛ in the said counties Palantine of Chester, oꝛ the citie of Chester, oꝛ in any of them: that then immediatlie vpon the awarding of euery soche exigent, the Justice, oꝛ Justices befoze whom any soche writ of exigent vpon soche suite, oꝛ action shalbe sued, shal haue ful power and auctoritie to awarde one writ of Proclamacion, according to the tenour and effecte of Proclamacions awarded vpon exigentes, directed out of any of the said Courtes in London, against any persone dwelling in any other Shire, where the Kinges writ is curraunt, according to the oꝛdꝛe and fourme of the said Statute made in the. vi. yere of the said late King to be directed to soche of the aforesaid Shyefes of any of the aforesaid counties in Wales, & of the counties Palantine of Chester, and of the Citie of Chester, foꝛ the tyme being, where it shal happen the said defendaunte, against who any soche action shalbe sued, as is aforesaid, to be dwelling. And that euery soche writ of Proclamacio shal haue the same teste & date of returne, as the exigentes, wherupon euery soche writ of Proclamacion shalbe awarded, shal haue: And that euery soche Shyefe to whom any soche writ of Proclamacion shalbe directed, shal make Proclamacion of the said writ of Proclamacio, according to the tenour of the same, & shal make true returne of the same in soche Court, & befoze soche Justices, as the tenour of the same writ shal require & demandaund. And that al outlawries hereafter to be promulged, oꝛ pronounced against any person oꝛ persons vpon any soche exigent, oꝛ exigentes, awarded against any persone oꝛ persons, dwelling in any of the said counties of Wales, & the counties Palantine of Chester, & of the citie of Chester, & no writ of Proclamacio awarded, in fourme abouesaid, to the Shyefe, oꝛ Shyefes of the countie, where the partie defendaunt shalbe, as is abouesaid, dwelling, oꝛ not retourned, to be clerelic void, and of none effecte, noꝛ foꝛce in the lawe.

And be it foꝛoꝛther enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that al & euery Sheriefe and Sheriefes of euery of the said counties of Wales, and of the counties Palantine of Chester, and of the Citie of Chester aforesaid shal haue in euery of the said Courtes of the Kinges Benche, and of the Common place, one sufficient Deputie at the least, to receiue all writtes directed to soche the Shyefe, oꝛ Sheriefes, foꝛ whom the same Deputie oꝛ Deputies shalbe appointed, in like maner, and fourme, and vpon like primes, as by the former Statutes & lawes of this realme other Shyefes of other Shires, oꝛ counties within this realme of England be bounden to haue, in either of the same courtes: and that al writtes of Proclamacion aforesaid shalbe deliuered vnto euery soche Deputie of Recoꝛde in the same Courtes: and also like fees shalbe paid foꝛ making euery soche writ of Proclamacion, and foꝛ enrolling the same of Recoꝛde, as is

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limited in the said Statute made in the said sixte yere of the reigne of our said late Souveraine Lorde King Henrie the eight.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that if any person dwelling in any of the said counties of Wales, after the aforesaid first date of April, shalbe outlawed in any suite, or action aforesaid, that then writtes of special Capias ut legal, single Capias ut legal, no molestand, and al other processe, for, or against any person outlawed, shal, and maie from then forth be directed to the shrieve of any of the said counties in Wales, as immediate officers to the Kinges said courtes of the Kinges benche, or common place in that behaulfe: and that every soche writtes maie be deliuered of recorde to the deputie of soche of the said shrieves, to whom any soche writte, or processe shalbe directed, & that every soche shrieve shal make execution and returne of every soche writte of processe to him directed, vpon like peine and penaltie, as is aboue limited.

And best further enacted & established, that if any soche writ, or writtes of Proclamacion hereafter directed to any of the shrieves of any of the said shires in Wales, or counties Palantine of Chester, or of the citie of Chester, be deliuered vnto any of the said shrieves for the time being, or to his, or their Deputie, in maner & forme aforesaid: & the same shrieve or shrieves doe not make true returne of every soche writ & writtes of Proclamacion, into soche courtes & courtes, out of whiche the said writ, or writtes of Proclamacion shalbe awarded: that for every soche faulte of none returne, every soche shrieve for the time being shall lose and forfeite. b. li. the one haulte therof shalbe to our Souveraine lord the King, his heires and successours: the other hault to any soche persone or persones as wil sue for the same in an action of debte grounded vpon this Acte, in any of the Kinges Courtes of Recorde, wherein no essoine, protection, or wager of lawe shalbe allowed, or admitted.

Provided alwaies, this Acte, or any thing therein contained, shall not in any wise extende, or be prejudicial to the same counties of Wales, or to the said counties Palantine of Chester, or of the citie of Chester, for, or concerning suche liberties, franchises, or privileges, as belong to them, or any of them, or to any ministers, or officers of them, or any of them, or therwise, or in any other maner, then by the true meaning of this Acte is befoze provided and declared: any thing in this Acte mencioned to the contrarie notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that this acte, ne any thing therein contained, shall not in any wise be prejudicial, or hurtful to any Lorde marcher in Wales, but that thei and every of them, and their heires, and the heires of every of them shal and maie have like libertie, interest, and preeminence, as thei, and every of them had, might, or ought to have had befoze the making of this Acte, and as though this Acte had never been had, ne made: any thing in this Acte mencioned to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

The. xi. Chapitre.

An Acte for the repeale of a certayne statute made in the. xxviij. yere of the reigne of the late King of most famous memoire Henrie the. viij. for reuoking of Actes of Parlaunte.



Here in the Parliament begonne at Westminster the. xxviij. yere of the reigne of the late King of famous memoire King Henrie the. viij. it was enacted by the auctoritie of thesaid Parlaunte, that if the Imperial crowne of this realme, after the decease of thesaid late King, should discede come, or remaine to the heires of our said late Soueraigne Lord, or to any persone to be limited by his highnesse, as of very right it must, and ought to dooe according to the lawes of this realme established for the same, thesaid heires, or soche person being within thage of. xxiij. yeres, & that then any Acte, or Actes of Parliament should happen to be made, & established in any Parlaunt, that then should be holde befoze soche heire or heires, persone, or persones then being in possession of thesaid crowne, should be of their ful ages of. xxiij. yeres, that then every soche heire, or heires of our said late Souerain Lord, or soche persone so possessed of the crowne being within thesame age of. xxiij. yeres, should haue full power and auctoritie at all times, after thei should come to their said ful ages of. xxiij. yeres, by their lettres Patentes vnder the great seale of England to reuoke, adnul, & repeale al a singuler soche Actes made & established by their roial assentes, in any Parlaunte holden, during the time that thei were within their said age of. xxiij. yeres, their roial assentes had to thesame, during the time that thei were within thesaid age of. xxiij. yeres, or any Acte, or Actes thereafter to be made, to the contrarie therof notwithstanding. And it was also enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that every soche repeale, adnullacion, & reuocation of any Acte, or Actes that should be made and established in any Parlaunte holde befoze the time that soche heires, or persone possessed of the crowne, should be of thesaid age of. xxiij. yeres, should be as good and effectuell, to al ententes & purposes, as though it hath been dooen by the auctoritie of Parlaunte, as in thesaid Acte is moze plainlie declared: Sithe the making of whiche estatute, it hath pleased almightie GOD to take vnto his mercie our said late Soueraine Lord King Henrie the. viij. our nowe mozte gracious & deare Souerain liege lord King Edward the. vi. his soonne & heire (whose life GOD log pserue) now being aboue the age of. x. yeres, and vnder the age of. xi. yeres: during whose minority, as the common wealth of his highnesse realmes of Englande, & Irelande, and of all the dominions and countreis of thesame, is, and mozte necessarilie ought to be prouided for, mainteined, and pserued: so is it the natural duetie of every good, true, and louing subiecte, to applie himself with al his power and diligence, to studie, inuente, and practise by al waies, meanes, and maners, for the conseruacion of thesame. And for
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Asmoche as for the preservaciō of the roial estate of our said Souverrein
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 persone, & for the good tranquillitie, quietnes, rest, and peace of his saied
 Realmes, countreys, dominions, and subiectes, as well wholsome lawes
 & statutes are to be ordeined, established, & provided, as also some lawes
 and statutes to be repeled & adnullled, as the case shal require, accordyng
 to the disposicion of the people, whiche cannot take any good effectte, or
 successe, without actes & provisions of Parliaments to bee made, befoze
 their ages of. xxiij. yerres: And for that it should seme vnto al men, that
 the good intencion, meaning, and purpose of thesaid late King, and of the
 makers of thesaid Statute, was not, that good and wholsome lawes,
 whiche should be made, provided, and ordeined for the good gouernaunce
 of the Realmes and dominions abovesaid, during the tyme that any
 King of this Realme should be within thesaid age of. xxiij. yeres should
 fro the tyme of the deceasse of the auncestour, or progenitour of any soche
 King, within the age of. xxiij. yeres, at the tyme of the death of thesaid
 auncestour, or progenitour, vntill the age of. xxiij. yeres, of any soche
 King, be made, demed, and adiudged to be boide by any soche lettres pa-
 tentes, to al intetes and purposes, as though they neuer had been made,
 but that thesaid Actes, and euery of them, and al, and euery thing, and
 thinges bled, committed, dooen, suffered, or executed by aucthoritie of
 thesame, should be good, available, and persite in the lawe: And that the
 said reuocation, adnullacion, & repeale, should be taken to make boide
 thesaid actes, and euery of them onely, from the tyme of thesaid reuo-
 cation, adnullacion, and repeale, & not otherwise: The contrarie entende-
 mente and exposicion wherof, might otherwisse, not onely discourage all
 subiectes, during that tyme, and those yeres, to endeavour themselves, to
 and for the aduising, setting foozthe, and consenting to the making of
 good and wholsome lawes: but also shoulde cause thesaid subiectes to
 adiudge and thinke themselves to liue for that tyme, vnder no maner of
 certaintie, or assurance of any positive lawe, or statute, during that tyme
 to be made, or provided: Be it therfore enacted, by the King our Sou-
 ueraine Lorde with thassent of the Lordes spiritual & Tempozall, and
 the Communes in this present Parliament assembled, & by the auctho-
 ritie of thesame, that thesaid Acte of Parliament aboue recited, made in
 thesaid. xxviij. yere of the reigne of thesaid late King & euery woord, ar-
 ticle, clause, matter, sentence, and thing therein specified and conteined,
 shal by aucthoritie of this present Parliaments, be, to all ententes, con-
 structions, and purposes, vtterlie boide, adnullled, repeled, and of none
 effectte, & as though thesame had neuer been had ne made. Neuerthelesse
 to the entente the Kinges Maiesie our Souverrein Lord maie haue po-
 wer, aucthoritie, preeminence and prerogatiue at his full age of. xxiij.
 yeres, or at any tyme after, at his libertie and pleasure, to repeale al sta-
 tutes and Actes of Parliaments, aswel made in this present Parliamēt,
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as hereafter in any other Parliament to be holden, befoze he shal accom-
plishe thesaied age of. xliii. yeris, to be made oꝛ ordeined, accordyng to
the true intent and meaning of the makers of thesaied foꝛmer statute.
Be it fether oꝛdeined and enacted, by thauthozitie of this present Par-
lament, that our saied Souuerain loꝛde the king that now is, at is full
age of. xliii. yeris, oꝛ at any tyme after, and all, and euery heire and hei-
res of thesaied late king, and other persone and persones, to whom the
Imperial crowne of this realme shal herafter descende, come, oꝛ remain
by thappoyntment of thesaied late king, in that case pꝛouided and made,
then being within the age of. xliii. yeris, shal haue full power and au-
thozitie, by vertue of this present acte, at al tymes, after he, oꝛ thei shal
come to his, oꝛ their ful age of. xliii. yeris, by his, oꝛ their letters paten-
tes, vnder the great seale of Englande, to repeale all and singular acte
and actes, oꝛ any of them, as be, oꝛ shalbe made, oꝛ established by his oꝛ
their roiall assentes in any Parliament holden, oꝛ to be holden, during
the tyme that he, oꝛ thei was, were, oꝛ shalbe within thesaied age of. xliii
peris, other then this present act of Parliament, and other then all par-
dons graunted and to be graunted, within thesaied seuerall ages of. xliii.
peris, by auctozitie of Parliament, so that thesame repeale be made and
bled in maner and foꝛme hereafter solowynge, that is to saie, that query
suche letters patentis of repeale shal conteyn all suche actes, as shalbe
repealed, and shalbe solempnly & openlie pꝛoclamied in the kinges courte
of Chawncerie, betwene the houres of. ix. and. xi. befoze none at thye seue-
ral daies, in euery of two of the. iiii. vsual termes to be holden at West-
minster, oꝛ els where within this realme of England, and also one tyme
in euery countie of this realme, and in Wales, at the seuerall Assises to
be holden in thesame seuerall counties, betwene like houres, and that
then after. xl. daies next after suche pꝛoclamacion, in al and euery place
and countie abouesaid, so had and made, thesaied letters Patentis of
repeale to take their foꝛce, strength and effect, and not befoze, oꝛ from a-
ny other tyme oꝛ reason, noꝛ in any other maner oꝛ foꝛme. And that all
and euery suche act and actes as wel made in this Parliament, as here-
after to be made, within thesaied age of. xliii. yeris, of our Souuerain
Loꝛd the kinges Maiestie that now is, as in the tyme of any of thesaied
heire oꝛ heires, oꝛ other thesaied persone oꝛ persones then being in pos-
session of the Imperial crowne of this realme and vnder the age of. xliii
peris, shalbe good and effectual to all intentes, constructions and pur-
poses, vntill thesaied letters Patentis of repeale, pꝛoclamacions, and
xl. daies shalbe so had, made, runne, and past: and that all and euery act
and actes, thing and thinges bled, had, committed, doen, suffred, oꝛ exe-
cuted by the aucthoritie of thesaied acte oꝛ actes, oꝛ any of them, within
any of thesaied ages of. xliii. yeris, accordyng to the purpoꝛt, tenoꝛ, and
effect of thesaied act oꝛ actes, oꝛ any of them, shalbe good and effectual
foꝛ euer, thesaied repeale so to be made in any wise notwithstanding, and

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that

that al and every persone and persones, bodies polittique and corporate, shall and maie by the aucthoritie of this present act, from tyme to tyme, aswell after thesaid repeale as befoze, plead, or allege, for his or their defence, excuse, indemnitie, profite, benefite, or aduantage, all and euery suche act or actes, or any of them so reuoked, adnulled or repealed, or to be reuoked, adnulled, or repealed, for, concerning, or in any wise touching any thing or thinges had, vsed, graunted, suffered, possessed, committed, doen, or accrued by thaucthoritie, sufferance, or force of thesaid act and actes, or any of them befoze the reuocation, adnullation, or repealing of thesame, in suche and as ample maner and forme, as if thesaid acte and actes so to be reuoked, adnulled or repealed, and euery of them, had stonde in his and their ful strength, force, and effect, and as if thesaid acte or actes had neuer been reuoked, adnulled, or repealed: any thing in suche repeale contained notwithstanding.

Provised alwaies, and be it also ordeined and enacted by thaucthoritie aforesaid, that no king, nor kinges of this realme shall haue aucthoritie, power or prerogative, to repeale any acte of Parliament or statute, that shalbe made in the tyme of any king, befoze thesaid age of. xliiij. yeren, other then suche as be, or shalbe made in his awone tyme: any thing aboue mencioned, to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

An act for the repeale of certain statutes, concerning treasons, felonies, &c. The. iij. Chapter.

Nothing being moze godlie, moze sure, moze to be wished and desired betwixt a prince, the supreme heede and ruler, and the subiectes, whose gouernoz and head he is, then on the princes parte, great clemencie and indulgencie, and rather to muche forgeuenesse and remission of his roiall power and iuste punishment, then exact seueritie and iustice to be shewed: and on the subiectes behalf that thei shoulde obeye rather for loue, and for the necessitie and loue of a king and prince, then for feare of his stright, and seuerelawes: yet suche times at some time commeth in the common wealth that it is necessarie and expedient, for the repressing of the insolencie and unrulnes of men, and for the forseeing and providing of remedies against rebellion, insurrection, or suche mischises (as god some time with vs displeased for our punishment doeth inflict and laie vpon vs, or the deuill at Goddes pezmillion to assaie the good and goddes elect, doeth sowe and sette emonges vs) the whiche almightie God, with his helpe and manes pollicie, hath alwaies been contet and pleased to haue staied, that charter lawen, as a harder byidle shoulde be made, to staie those men and factes, that might els be occasion, cause and aucthours of fether inconuenience. the whiche thing caused the prince of most famous memorie king Henrie the eight, father to our said Souuerain lozde the king, and other his highnesse progenitozs, with the assent of the nobles and comons, at diuerse Parliaments in their seuerall times holden, to make and enacte certaine

certain lawes and statutes, whiche might seme and appeare to men of exterior realmes, & many of the kinges maiesties subiectes very streight soze, extreme & terrible, although they were then when they were made, not without great consideracio and pollicie, moued and established, and for the time to thaduodaunce of serther inconuenience, very expedient and necessarie. But as in tempest or winter one course, & garment is conuenient, in calme or warme whether, a more liberal case, or lighter garment, bothe made, and ought to be folowed and vsed: so we haue seen diuerse streight and soze lawes made in one Parlamente, the time so requiring, in a more calme and quiet reigne of another Prince, by the like aucthoritie and Parlamet repealed and taken awaie. The whiche most high clemencie and roiall example of his Maiesties most noble progenitors, the kinges highnesse of his tender and godlie nature most geuen to mercie and loue of his Subiectes, willing to folowe and perceiuing the hartie and sincere loue, that his most louing subiectes both the lordes and commons doeth beate vnto his highnesse, now in this his maiesties tender age, willing also to gratifie thesame therfore, and minding serther to prouoke his saied subiectes with indulgencie and clemencie, shewed on his highnesse behalf, to more loue and kindnesse towards his Maiestie (if it maie be) and vpon trust that they will not abuse thesame, but rather be encouraged thereby more faithfullie, & with more diligence (if it maie be) and care for his Maiestie, to serue his highnesse now in this his tender age, is contented and pleased, that the severitie of certain lawes here folowing be mitigated and remitted: be it therfore ordeined and enacted by the king our Souuerain lord, with thassent of the lordes spiritual and temporal, and of the commons in this present parlamet assembled, and by thaucthoritie of thesame, that from henceforth, none acte, dede, or offence being by act of Parlamet or statute made treason, or petit treason, by wordes, wryting, ciphring, dedes, or otherwise whatsoener shalbe taken, had, demed, or adiudged to be high treason, or petit treason, but onely suche as be treason or petit treason, in, or by the act of parliament, or statute made in the. xxb. yere of the reigne of the most noble king of famous memorie king Edward the. iii. touching, or concerning treason, or the declaracions of treasons: & suche offences as hereafter shall by this present act be expessed and declared to be treason, or petite treason, and none other, nor that any peines of death, penaltie or forfeiture in anywise insue, or be to any of the offenders, for the doing or committing any treason, or petit treason, other then suche as be in the saied estatute made in thesaid. xxb. yere of the reigne of thesaid king Edward the. iii. or by this present estatute ordeined and provided: any act or actes of parlamet, statute or statutes, had, or made at any time heretofore, or after thesaid. xxb. yere of the reigne of thesaid late king Edward the thirde, or any other declaration or matier, to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

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And also bee it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all actes of Parliament and Statutes, touching, mentioning, or in anywise concerning religion or opinions, that is to saie, aswel the Statute made in the first yere of the reigne of the Kinges noble progenitour, King Richard the seconde, and the Statute made in the second yere of the reigne of King Henrie the. v. and the Statute also made in the. xxv. yere of the reigne of King Henrie theight, concerning punishment and reformation of Heretiques and lollardes, and every prouision therein conteyned, and the Statute made for the abolishment of diuersitie of opinions, in certain articles concerning Christian religion, commolie called the. vi. articles, made in the Parliamente begun at Westminster the. xxviii. daie of April, in the. xxi. yere of the reigne of the moste noble and victorious prince, of moste famous memorie King Henrie the eight, father to our most dread Soueraine lord the King that now is, and also that of Parliament and Statute made of the Parliament begun at Westminster, the. xvi. daie of Januarie, in the. xxxiii. yere of the reigne of the said late King Henrie theight, & after that proroged vnto the. xxi. daie of Januarie, in the. xxxiii. yere of the reigne of the said late King Henrie theight, touching, mentioning, or in anywise concerning booke of thold and new testament in Englishe and the printing, uttering, selling, geuing, or delivering of Bookes, or writings, and retaining of Englishe booke or writings, and reading preaching, teaching, or expounding of Scripture, or in anywise touching mentioning, or concerning any of the same matiers. And also one other Statute made in the Parliament holden at Westminster, in the. xxxv. yere of the reigne of the said late King Henrie theight, concerning the qualification of the Statute of. vi. articles, and al and every other act or actes of Parliament, concerning doctrine, or matiers of religion, and all & every branche, article, sentence and matier, peines & forfeitures conteyned, mentioned, or in anywise declared, in any of the same actes of Parliament, or statutes, shal fro henceforth be repelled, & utterlie boide & of none effect.

And be it further ordeined and enacted, by the auctoritie aforesaid, that al offences made felonie, by any act or actes of Parliament, statute or statutes, made sithens the. xxi. daie of April, in the first yere of the reigne of the said late King Henrie theight, not being felonie before, and also, all and every the branches and articles mencioned, or in any wise declared, in any of the same statutes, concerning the making of any offence or offences, to be felonie, not being felonie before, and al peines and forfeitures, concerning the same, or any of them, shal from henceforth be repealed, and utterlie boide and of none effect.

And bee it also ordeined and enacted, by the auctoritie aforesaid, that one act made in the Parliament holden at Westminster, in the. xxi. yere of the reigne of the said late King Henrie the eight, that proclamacions made by the Kinges highnesse, by the aduise of his honorable counsaill, shoulde be obeyed and kept, as though they were made by auctoritie

of a Parliament: and also one other act made in the parliament holden in the xxiiij. yere of the reigne of the said late king Henrie theight, for the due execution of the said proclamacions, and also al & every brāuche, articles, matters in the same statutes, and every of the mencioned or declared, shal from henceforth be repealed, and utterlie void, and of none effect.

And be it enacted, by the auctorite aforesaid, that if any persone or persones, at any tyme after the first date of Marche nexte commyng, by open preaching, expresse wordes or saynges, do affirme, or set forth, that the king, his heires, or successours, kinges of this realme for the tyme being, is not, or ought not to be supreme head in yerth of the Church of Englands and Irelande, or any of the immediatlie vnder God, or that the bishop of Rome, or any other persone, or persons, other then the king of Englands, for the tyme being, is, or ought to be by the lawes of God, supreme head of the same churches, or of any of them, or that the king, his heires or successours, kinges of this realme, is not, or ought not to bee king of Englands, France and Ireland, or of any of them: or after the said first date of Marche doe compass, or imagine by open preaching, expresse wordes, or saynges, to depose or depriue the king, his heires, or successours, kinges of this realme, from his, or their roial estate, or titles, to, or of the realmes aforesaid, or do openlie punish, or saie by expresse wordes or saynges, that any other persone, or persons, other then the king, his heires or successours, kinges of this realme, of right ought to be kinges of the realmes aforesaid, or any of them, or to haue and enioie the same, or any of them: that then every suche offendour being thereof duelle convicted, or attainted by the lawes of this realme, their aidours, comforters, abettours, procurours, and counsaillours, for his or their suche first offence, shal lose and forfait to the king al his, and their gooddes, and cattalles, and also shal haue and suffer imprisonment, of his & their bodies, at the kinges will and pleasure. And if any persone being once convicted or attainted of any of the said offences, shal after his conviction or attainder, either commit or perpetrate any of the offences before mentioned, other then suche as be expresse in the said Statute, made in the said xxv. yere of king Edward the iii. and shal be thereof duelle convicted or attainted by the lawes of this realme: that then every suche offendour, their aidours, comforters, abettours, procurours and counsaillours, for his, or their said second offence or offences, shal lose and forfait to the king, the whole issues and profites of al his, and their lades, tementes, and other hereditamentes, benefites, prebendes & other spirituall promotions, for terme of life, of suche offendour or offendours: and shal also lose and forfait to the king al his and their gooddes, and cattalles, and also suffer, during his and their lifes, perpetual imprisonment of his and their bodies. And if any persone being twoo times hereafter convicted, or attainted of any of the same offences, shal after his said second conviction or attainder either commit or perpetrate again any of

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Thesaid offences to be therof duellie convicted or attainted by the lawes and statutes of this realme: that then every suche thied offence, or offences, shalbe demed and adjudged high treason, and the offender or offenders, their aidors, comfortors, abettors, procurors, and counsaillors, being therein convicted or attainted, according to the lawes and statutes of this realme, shalbe demed and adjudged highe traitors, and shall suffer peines of death, and lose and forfeit all their gooddes and cattalles, landes, and tenementes, to the king, as in cases of highe treason.

And be it further enacted, by thauthoritie aforesaid, that if any persone or persones, at any tyme after thesaid first daie of Marche next coming, by writing, printing, overt deede or acte, do affirme, or set forth, that the king of this realme, for the time being, is not, or ought not to be supreme hed in earth of the church of Englande and Ireland, or of any of the immediatlie under God: or shall, by writing, printing, overt deede, or act, after thesaid first daie of Marche, affirme, or set forth, that the bishop of Rome, or any other persone or persones other then the king of Englande, for the time being, is, or ought to be by the lawes of God or otherwise, the supreme hed in earth of thesame churches, or of any of them: or do after thesaid first daie of Marche, compass or imagine by writing, printing, overt deede or act, to depose or deprive the king, his heires or successors kinges of this realme, fro his, or their roiall estate, or titles of the king of Englande, Fraunce, and Irelande, or of any of them: or by any writing, printing, overt deede or act do affirme, that any other persone or persones, other then the king, his heires and successors is, or of right ought to be king of the realmes of Englande, Fraunce, or Irelande, or to have and enioie thesame, or any of them: that then every suche offence and offences shalbe demed and adjudged high treason, and thosaid or offenders, their aidors, comfortors, abettors, procurors, and counsaillors therein convicted or attainted, according to the lawes and statutes of this realme, shalbe demed and adjudged high traitors, and shall suffer peines of death, and lose and forfeit all their gooddes and cattalles, landes and tenementes, to the king as in cases of high treason.

And be it enacted by thauthoritie aforesaid, that this statute, or any thing therein contained shal not in any wise extende to repell, annull, or make frustrate or holde, any act or actes of Parliament, statute or statutes made, concerning the counterfeiting, or forging of any of the Coines of this Realme, or for the coine of any other Realme or realmes, currant within this realme, or for clipping, washing, or filing any of thesaid coines, or for, or concerning the bringing into this realme, of counterfeited monie or coine: ne to any statute made in the xxvii. yere of thesaid late king Dentre theight, concerning the false forging and counterfeiting of the kinges signes Manuell, priue signate, or priue scale, ne to their counsaillors, procurors, aidors, and abettors, nor to any article or byawche, concerning thesame offences, or any

any of them, contained in the same Statutes, or any of them:

And be it further enacted, by the auctorite aforesaid, that if any the heires of the king, our said Souuerain lord that now is, or any persone or persones, to whom the crowne and dignitie of this realme is limited and appointed by act of Parliament, made in the. xix. yere of the reigne of the said late king Henrie the eight, or the heires of any of them, do, at any time hereafter, usurpe the one of them vpon the other, in the crowne of this realme, or demaunde, challenge, or claime the same, other wise, or in any other forme or degree of descent, or succession, or in any other course forme, degree, or condicion, but onely in suche maner and forme, as is declared by the said statute: or if any of the said heires, or persones aforesaid, do interrupt, or let the hinges highnesse that now is, peaceable & quietlie to kepe, haue, and enioie the said Imperiall Crowne: that then, all and singular the offendours, their aidours, counsaillours, abettours, procurours, and counsaillours therein, shalbe deemed and aduindged hight traitours, and shall suffre, and incurre the peines of death, losse and forfeitures, as is aforesaid, in cases of hight treason.

And it is further ordeined and enacted, by the auctorite aforesaid, that no persone or persons, that heretofore hath been, or at any time hereafter shalbe, in the forme of the lawes, attainted or convicted of murder or malice prepensed, or of poisoning of malice prepensed, or of breaking of any house, by daie or by night, any person being the in the same house where the same breaking heretofore hath been, or hereafter shalbe committed, and heretofore hath been, or hereafter shalbe, thereby put in feare or dread, or of, or for robbing of any persone or persons, in the high waie or nere to the high waie, or for felonious stealing of horses, geldinges, or mares, or of felonious taking of any gooddes out of any parish church, or other Church or Chapel, or being indicted or appealed of any of the same offences, and therupon found guiltie by verdict of. xii. menne, or shall confesse the same, vpon his or their arraignment, or will not answer directlie, according to the lawes of this realme, or shal stand willfullie, or of malice mute, shall not be admitted to haue or enioie, the privilege or benefite of his clergie or Sanctuarie, but shalbe put from the same: and that in all other cases of Felonie, other then suche as before mentioned, al and singular persone and persones, whiche after the first daie of Marche next comming, shalbe arraigned or founde guiltie, vpon his or their arraignment, or shal confesse the same, or stand mute, in forme aforesaid, or will not answer directlie, in forme abovesaid, shall haue and enioie the privilege and benefite, of his or their clergie, the libertie and privilege of Sanctuarie, in like maner & forme, as he or they might or should haue doen, before the. xxiii. daie of Aprill, in the first yere of the reigne of the said late king Henrie the eight.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that all clauses, articles and sentences, mentioned or specified, in any Act or

actes of parliament, statute or statutes made in the tyme of the reigne of the said late king Henrie theight, touching or in any wise concerning any manner of challenge, for the Countre, Hundred, or Peremptorie challenge, or any of them, or touching or in any wise concerning any manner of trial of forein pleas pleaded by murderers, felons, or other offenders, shall, as concerning the said challenges and trials, remain in their force and strength not repealed; any thing in this Acte mentioned, tending or seming to the contrarie, in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, and be it ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that this act of parliament, or any thing therein mentioned, as concerning the repeale of any estatute, or estatutes made touching treason, or misprision of treason, shall not in anywise geve any manner of benefit, advantage, or commoditie, to any persone or persones, being the last daie of Octobze last past arrested, or imprisoned for treason, petit treason, or misprision of treason, or to any persone or persones heretofore being indicted of treason, petit treason, or misprision of treason, or to any other persone or persones being likewise convicted, outlawed, or attainted of treason, petit treason, or misprision of treason: or being fled beyonde the seas, or into Scotland, before the said last daie of Octobze last past, for any treason, petit treason, or misprision of treason, but that thei, & every of them shall suffre suche penes of death, losses and forfeitures of landes & gooddes, as in cases of treason, as though this act had never been had or made: any thing in this act to the contrarie, in anywise notwithstanding: & that the lawes & statutes repealed by this act shall stande against thei, & every of thei, in full strength, vertue, force, and effect, concerning al & every offence by thei, or any of thei, heretofore comitted or doen.

Provided also, and be it ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all wilfull killing, by poisoning of any persone or persones, that at any time hereafter shall be doen, perpetrated, or committed, shall be adjudged, taken and demed wilfull murders of malice prepensed: and that the offenders therein, their aidors, abettors, procurors, and counsaillors shall suffre death, and forfeit in every behalfe, as in other cases of wilfull murder of malice prepensed.

And over that, be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that in all and every case and cases, where any of the kinges Maiesties subiectes shall and maie upon his prayer, have the priviledge of clergie, as a Clerke convict, that maie make purgacion in al those cases, and every of them and also in all and every case and cases of felony, wherein the priviledge and benefite of clergie is restrained, excepted, or take awaye by this estatute, or acte (wilfull murder, and poisoning of malice prepensed, onely excepted) the lordes and lordes of the Parliament, and pere and peres of the realme having place and voise in Parliament, shall by vertue of this present acte of common grace, upon his, or their request or prayer, alleging that he is a Lord, or pere of this realme, & claiming the benefite

of this act, though he cannot read, without any burning in the hand, losse of inheritance, or corruption of his blood be admitted, demed, take and vsed for his first time onely, to all intentes, constructions and purposes as a clerke convict, and shal in case of a clerke couict, whiche maike make purgacion without any fether or other benefite or priuilege of clergie, to any suche Lord or pere, from thenceforth at any time after, for any case to be allowed, admitted, or admitted, any Lawe, statute, blage, custome or any other thinge to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, that if any of thesaied Lordes of the Parliament, or any of the peres of this realme, for the time being, shal fortune to be indicted, of any of the offences limited in this act: that then thei and euery of them, shal haue, his or their triall by their peres, as it hath been bled heretofore, in cases of high treason.

And be it fether enacted, by auctoritie aforesaid, that if any persone or persons, that by this statute, or by any other statutes or lawes of this realme ought to haue, or be admitted, to the benefite of his, or their clergie: that thesame persone and persones, shalbe from henceforth admitted and allowed, to his, or their clergie, although thei, or any of thei haue been diuerse and sundrie times married, to any single woman, or single women, or to any widow, or widows, or to two wifes, or mo: any lawe, statute, or blage, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And ouer that, it is ordeined and enacted, by the auctoritie aforesaid, that albeit any persone, or persones, of what estate, condicio, or degre, he or thei be, shal hereafter fortune to be attainted, convicted, or outlawed of any treason; petit treason, misprision of treason, murder, or felonie whatsoever, yet that notwithstanding, euery womā, that is, or shal fortune to be wife of the persone so attainted, convicted, or outlawed, shalbe endowable and enable to demaunde, haue, and enioie her dower, in like maner and forme, as though her husbāde had not been attainted, convicted, or outlawed: any statute, lawe, blage, or custome, to the contrary, in any wise notwithstanding. Sauing to al and euery other persone and persones, bodies politique and corporate, their heires and successors, and to euery of them, other then to suche offendour or offendours, as shalbe attainted, convicted, or outlawed, al suche right, title, interest, entree, leases, possessio, condicion, profite, commoditie, and hereditamentes, as thei or any of them had, or shoulde, or of right ought to haue, before, or at the time of thesaied attainder, conviction, or outlawerie.

Provided also, and be it enacted by theauctoritie aforesaid, that one act made at the Parliament holden at Westminster, vpon diuerse prorogations, the .iiii. daie of February, in the .xxiiij. yere of thesaied late king Henrie theight, and there continued and kept, until the .xxiii. daie of April then nexte ensuing, concerning and touching the felonious taking away by any seruant, the gooddes or cattalies, of the Maister or maistresse, and al Articles and Sentences contained in thesame Acte, shal stande

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stande, be, and remaine in full strength, force, and effecte, in suche maner
and forme, as it did before the making of this present acte, the repeale,
or revocation of the actes abovesaid, to the contrary notwithstanding.
Provided alwaie, and be it enacted by the auctoritie abovesaid, that
no persone or persones shall in any wise be empethed, or put to answer
for any of the offences abovesaid, concerning treasons, by open preaching
or wordes only, unless the partie offender, or offenders be thereof ac-
cused within .xxx. daies next after the same open preaching, or wordes so
spoken or declared, if the accusors shall fortune to be within this realme,
during the said space of .xxx. daies, next after the said offence committed,
or doen. And if the accusors shall happen to be out of this realme, during
the said space of .xxx. daies: then the partie or parties so offending shall
be accused, as is aforesaid, within sixe monethes, next after the same prea-
ching, or wordes spoken or declared: or els the partie or parties so of-
fending, their aidors, comforters, abettors, and counsaillors, or any of
them not to be empethed, or put to answer for any suche offence, or of-
fences: that the same accusacio, or accusations so to be had, made and
declared, shall be made to one of the kinges counsaill, or to one of the kin-
ges Justices of assise, or els to one of the kinges Justices of peace being
of the Quorum, or to two Justices of the peace, within the shire, where
the same offence or offences shall happen to be doen or committed: any thing
contained in this acte to the contrary therof in anywise notwithstanding.

Provided also, and bee it declared and enacted by the auctoritie a-
bovesaid, that concelement, or keeping secrete any highe treason shall be
from henceforth adjudged, deemed and taken, misprision of treason, and
the offender therein shall forfeit and suffer, as in cases of misprision of
treason, as heretofore hath been used: any thing above mentioned to the
contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, and bee it declared and enacted by the auctoritie a-
bovesaid, that this act, or any thing therein contained, shall not extende
to charge, or make any persone or persones to be offender or offenders,
in any of the articles abovesaid, for calling, naming, sayng, writting,
or printing the French king, for the time being, by the name of the
king of France, or French king, any thing above declared and enac-
ted, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and bee it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid,
that no persone or persones, after the first daie of Februarie nexte com-
ming, shall be indicted, arraigned, condemned, or convicted, for any of-
fence of treason, petit treason, misprision of treason, or for any wordes be-
fore specified, to be spoken after the said first daie of Februarie, for whi-
che the same offenders, speaker, offenders, or speakers shall in any wise
suffer any penes of death, imprisonment, losse, or forfeiture of his good-
des, cattalles, landes or tenementes: unless the same offender, speaker,
offenders, or speakers be accused by two sufficient and laweful wit-
nesses

nesses, as shall willingly without violence confesse the same.

An act for a Subsidie of tonnage & poundage of merchandise, with a prouiso for the confirmation of the priuileges of the merchantes of the Staple whiche prouiso shal indure but onely to the ende of this Parliament.

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In their moste humble wise shewen vnto your most excellent Maiestie, your pooze commons in this your present parliament assembled, that where as well your most dearest father of famous memorie king Henrie the. viij. as also your most worthy graundfather king Henrie the. viij. & other your noble progenitors kinges of this your realme of Englande, time out of minde, haue had graunted vnto the, and enioied of the commons of the same realme, for the time being, by auctoritie of Parliament, for the defence of the same now your realme, & the keeping and safegard of the seas, for the intercourse of merchandise, saue to come into the same your realme, & to passe out of the same, certain somes of monie, named subsidies, of al maner of goods, beys and merchandises, coming in, or going out of the same your realme: and forasmuche as we your said poze commons haue perceiued your Maiesties good fauour and wil towards vs your said pooze commons, had aswel in the defence of vs, and this your realme, against your rebels the Scottes, as also the keeping & sure defending of the seas, against al persons intending the disturbaunce & inuasion of this your realme, and by your said commons to our great comfort & reioysing, as cause requireth, and to your Maiesties great costes, charges, and expenses, and also not doubting the sequelle of the same if nede shal require: we therefore your said pooze commons as bounde of duetie, humble desire your excellent Maiestie benignelic and fauourable to take, except & receiue these our pooze grautes hereafter insuing, as graunted of true hartes and good willes, which we beare to your highnesse, towards your said great costes, charges and expenses, aswel heretofore expended and laied out, as hereafter by your Maiestie for the causes aforesaid, when nede shal require, to be expended & laied out, as the first fructes of our good willes and hartes towards your highnesse, although the same doe, or hereafter shal nothing in effect counteruaile your said costes, charges & expenses, whiche we be not able fullie to gratifie by any meanes. First, we your pooze commons, by the aduise and assent of the Lordes spiritual and tempozal, in this your presente Parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, to thintent aforesaid, geue and graunt to you our said Souerain lord one Subsidie called tonnage that is to saie, of euery tonne of wine comming, or that shal, or is come into this your realme, by waie of merchandise, the summe of. iij. s. and so after the rate: and of euery tonne of swete wine, aswel Malmesie as other that shal, or is come into the same your realme, by euery or any merchant alien, aswel by the merchantes of

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Hauise and Almain, as by any other merchaunt straunger, of what nation soeuer he be. iii. s. and so after the rate, ouer and aboue the iii. s. afore graunted. And of euery a twine of Remyne wine comming, or that shal, or is come into this your realme, by waie of merchaundise, by euery, or any merchaunt denizon or alien, of what nation soeuer he be. xii. d. And also one other subsidie called poūdage, that is to saie of al maner of gooddes and merchaundises, of euery merchaunt denizon and alien whatsoeuer he be, caried & to be caried, out of this your said realme, or brought or to be brought into thesame by waie of merchaundises of the value of euery. xx. s. of thesame gooddes and merchaundises xii. d. and so after the rate. And of. xx. s. value of Tyme and Dewter vessel caried out of this your realme by any and euery merchant alien. xii. d. ouer and aboue the xii. d. aforesaid. Except alwaies and forpasse out of this graunt of subsidie of poūdage, al maner of wollen clothe made and wrought, or that shalbe made and wrought within this realme of Englande, and by euery, or any merchaunt denizon and not bozne alien, caried or to be caried out of this your said realme, and al maner of wolles, wolleselles, and hides, and backes of Lether also caried, or to be caried out of this your realme: and all wines, and al maner of freshefish and bestial comming, or that is, or shal come into thesame your realme.

And ferther, we your said pooze commons by the aduise, assent, and auctoritie aforesaid, geue and graunt vnto you our said Souueraine Lorde, for the causes aboue rehearsed, one other Subsidie of all maner of wolles, wolleselles & lether caried, or to be caried out of this your realme, in maner and forme folowing, that is to saie, of euery merchaunt denizon, of, & for euery sacke of woll. xxxiii. s. iii. d. And of euery. cc. xl. wolleselles. xxxiii. s. iii. d. And of, and for euery laste of hides and backes, of euery suche merchaunt denizon. iii. l. vi. s. viii. d. And also of euery merchaunt straunger not bozne your liege man, aswell those that bee made denizons, as hereafter shalbe made by letters patentes or other wise, as all other merchaunt straungers, of, and for euery sacke of wolles. iii. l. vi. s. viii. d. And, of, & for euery. cc. xl. wolleselles. iii. l. vi. s. viii. d. And also of euery last of hides and backes. iii. l. xii. s. iiii. d. And so of all thesaid wolles, wolleselles, hides and backes and euery of the, after the rate that so is, or shalbe caried, to haue, take, enioie, and perceiue the subsidies aforesaid, and euery of them & euery part or parcell of them to your highnes. fro the first date of your most noble reigne, during your life natural.

And ferther we your said pooze commons most humble desire your Maiestie, that it maie be enacted by your highnesse by the aduise & assent of the Lordes aforesaid, and by your said commons, and by the foresaid auctoritie of this present Parliamet assembled, that the giftes and grauntes aforesaid, shalbe good and effectuell, according to the true meaning of thesame. And that it maie be ferther enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if any wines, gooddes, merchaundises, wolles, wolleselles

felles, hides and bakes of lether aforesaid, or other thinges afoze specified, whereof the subsidies aforesaid, or any of them, is or shalbe hereafter due, shal at any time hereafter, during the time aforesaid, be shipped or put into any boate, craier, ship or vessel, to that intent to be cari- ed into the partes of beyond the sea, or els be brought from the partes of beyonde the sea, into any porte, haven, creeke, or other place of this your realme by waie of merchaundise, and there laied on lande, the Subsidie aforesaid of thesame (due or to be due by reason of this graunt) not paid, or the collectour of thesame Subsidie not agreed with for thesame according to the true meaning and intent of these aforesaid grauntes, and enery of them: that then from the first daie of Marche next coming and not before, al thesaid wines, gooddes, merchaundises, wolles, wol- felles, hides and bakes, and other the premisses aforesaid, and enery part and parcell therof so shipped, or els put into any boate, craier, or o- ther vessel aforesaid, to thintent aforesaid, or brought into this realme and there laied on lande, as is also aforesaid, shal remain forfeit to your highnesse, during the time aforesaid: the one moitie thereof, or the value thereof to your highnesse, and the other moitie to him or them that shal lease thesame or sue for thesame. And that it maie please your highnesse that all merchauntes aswell Denizons as straungers, coming into this your realme, be wel and honestlie intreated and demeaned, as thei were in the time of your aforesaid noble progenitours without oppression so them to be doen, payng the Subsidies abouesaid.

And fether, that it be enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if any gooddes, merchaundises, wolles, wollefelles or leather aforesaid, or any part therof of any merchaunt denizon, naturallie borne your liege man, whiche shal passe out of this your said realme, after thesaid first daie of Marche, during the terme of this gifte and graunt, shal happen to bee taken with enemies or pirates vpon the sea, or perished by infortune in any ship or shippes, that shal happen to be taken or perished within the time of thesaid graunt, whereof the Subsidies aforesaid or any of the to your highnesse due or to be due, is, or shal be in forme aforesaid duellie paid or agreed for without fraude or collusion, and suche losse or losses as been before rehearsed, be found and proued before the Threasorer of Englande, or the chiefe Baron of your Eschequer for the time being, by the examination of thesame merchauntes if thei be on liue, or of their ex- ecutors or administratours, if thei be dead, or two true credible perso- nes swoyne, or other reasonable witnesses & profes swoyne, witnessing thesame merchaundises so to be lost or perished: that then thesame mer- chauntes denizons that were or shal be owners of the aforesaid good- des, merchaundises, wolles, wollefelles, hides, or other merchaundises a- fozesaid, as shal be so perished or lost, if thei be on liue, or their execu- tors and administratours, if thei be dead, and enery of thein, by force and vertue of this acte when them liketh, during thesaid terme, shal

inowe ship as muche wolle, wolvelles, hides or other merchaundise in the same port or ports, in whiche thesame wolle, wolvelles, hides or other gooddes and merchaundises aforesaid, so lost and perished, were or shalbe shipped without any of the subsidies aforesaid now graunted, to be had or paid therfore to you in any wise, and that all suche profits of the premisses so to be lost or perished, be certified into your Chauncerie, by your said tresorier or chief Baron, there to remaine of record. And after suche certificat made the Chancellour of England, or the layde keeper of your greate seale, for the time being, do make and deliver unto thesaid merchauntes, their executours or administratours, or any of them, or to their attorney or to their attorneis in that behalf, or any of them, as many and suche writtes and warrantes to be directed as well to the collectours of the subsidies aforesaid, or any, or every of them for the time being, as to the tresorier and barons of your eschequer for the time being as shalbe requisite and nedeful for thesaid merchauntes, their executours or administratours, or their attorney or attorneis, or any of them, or the said collectours or any of them, to have for the obtaining, as well of the shipping, as of allowance therof: And fether that every merchaunt denizen that shal ship hereafter any wolle, wolvelles, hides, or any other gooddes and merchaundises in any carriche or galleie, shal paie to your Maestie during the time aforesaid, all maner of customes and all the subsidies aforesaid, as any alien boine out of this your realme.

Provided alwaies, that no act, statute or ordinaunce had, made or to be made in this present Parliament, be in any wise hurtfull or prejudiciall unto the merchauntes of the Hanse in Almaine, having the house in the cite of London, commonlie called Guisbalda Theutoniscorum, nor to any fraunchises, liberties or privileges to them or their predecessours befoze this time had, agreed, graunted or confirmed, nor to any laweful usages by them or by their predecessours befoze this time used, but that thesaid merchauntes and their successours have, holde and enioie, all their said fraunchises, liberties, and free usages, according to suche grauntes, confirmacions and agrementes, as by the King and his noble progenitors kinges of Englande have been agreed, made and graunted and had to thesaid merchauntes or their predecessours, and according to their laweful usages in every thing, by whatsoever other name or names, thesame merchauntes or any of them be called or named: any acte, statute, or ordinaunce made or to be made in this present Parliament to the contrarie notwithstanding: This present proviso to endure and continue unto the ende of this present Parliament.

¶ The xiii. Chapitre.

¶ In acte wherby certain Chaunteries, Colleges, free Chappelles, and the possessions of thesame, be given to the Kinges Maestie.

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He Kinges moste louing subiectes, the Lordes Spirituall and Tempozal, and the commons in this presente Parla- mente assembled, considering that a great part of Super- sticio & Erroures in Christian religion, hath been brought into the mindes and estimation of menne, by reason of the ignozaunce of their very true and perfeite saluacion, through the death of Iesus Chryste, and by deuising and phantasying vain opintions of purgatorie, and masses satisfactorie, to be dooen for them, whiche be de- parted: The whiche doctrine & vain opinion, by nothing moze is main- teined and vpholden then by the abuse of Trentalles, Chauntries, and other prouisions made for the continuance of thesaied blindnesse and ignozaunce. And ferther considering and vnderstanding that the altera- cion, chaunge, and amendement of thesame, and conuerting to good and godlie bles, as in erecting Grammar Scholes to the education of youth in vertue and godlinesse, the soother augmenting of the Vniuersities, and better prouision for the pooze and needie, cannot in this presente Parla mente be prouided, and conuenientlie dooen, noz cannot, ne ought to any other maner persone be committed, then to the Kinges highnesse, whose Maiestie, with, and by the aduise of his highnesse moste prudent Counsaill, can and wil moste wiselie, and beneficiallie bothe for the ho- nour of God, and the weale of his Maiesties Realme, orde, alter, con- uerte, and dispose thesame. And calling soother to their remembraunce that in the Parla mente holden at Westminster the. xxxvij. yeare of the reigne of our late Souueraine Lozde King Henrie the eight, father to our moste dread and natural Souueraine Lozde the King, that now is, it was ordeined, enacted, and established amongst other thinges, that at and singular Colleges, free Chappelles, Chauntries, Hospitallles, Fra- ternities, Brotherheddes, Guildes, and other promotions, mentioned in thesaied former Acte, had, or made to haue continuance in perpetuallie for euer, and then being, or that had, or ought to bee contributoze, or chargeable to the payement of the first fructes and Tenthes, according to the lawes and Statutes in that behaulfe had, and made by what name, surname, degree, or corporation, thei, or any of them were founded, ordeined, established, erected, named, called, or knowen: and all and sin- gular the mansion houses, Manours, Orchards, Gardens, landes, te- nementes, pastures, wooddes, waters, rentes, reuercions, seruices, com- mons, tithes, pensions, poecons, Churches, Chapelles, aduoucons, no- minacions, patronages, annuities, rights, interestes, entrees, condicions, leetes, courtes, liberties, priuileges, fraunchises, and other hereditame- tes whatsoeuer, then appertenuing, or belonging, or that did appertene, or belong, or were assigned, or appointed to any soche College, freecha- pel, chauntie, hospital, fraternitie, brotherhed, guild, stipendiaze Priest, or other thesaied promotions, or to any of them, or accepted, knowen, or taken as part, parcel, or membze of them, or of any of them: & to thesaied

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Colleges, Chauntries, free Chappelles, Hospitalles, Fraternities, Brotherhed, Gilde, Stipendiary Priestes, or other promotions, or to any of the united, or annexed: whiche betwene the .iiij. date of Februarie, in the xxvij. yere of the said late Kinges reigne, & the .xv. date of Decembre in the .xxvij. of his graces reigne, by reason of any entree, expulsion, bargain, sale, feoffment, fine, recouerie, lease, or other conueighaunce therof made, were dissolved, determined, or relinquished by any of the waies, meanes, or conueighaunces, mentioned in the said Acte, or otherwise other then soche of them, as then were in the possessiō of the said late King, or that were graunted, or assured by his licence, agremente, consente, or lettres Patentes, to any persone, or persones, or then had been lawefullie obtained, or recovered by any person, by any former right, or title, without fraude or couene, or by the Kinges licence, shal fro then forth by authority of the same former Acte, be adiudged & demed, and also be in the very actual and real possession & seisiō of the said late King, and of his heires and successours for ever: in as large and ample maner, as the said Priestes, Wardens, Masters, Ministers, Gouernours, Rulers, or other incumbētes, or any of them, or the patrons, donours, or foundours of any of them at any time sithens the said towenth daie of Februarie in the xxvij. yere aforesaid had occupied, or enioied, or then had occupied, or enioied the same, and as though al and singuler the said Colleges, Chauntries, Hospitalles, free Chappelles, Fraternities, Brotherheddes, Guildes, & other the said promotions, and the said Manours, Landes, Tenementes, hereditamentes, & other the premisses, whatsoeuer thei bee, & euery of them, had been in the said former Acte, speciallie, particularlie, & certailie rehearsed, named, & expressed by expresse wordes, names, surnames, corporations, titles, and faculties, and in their naturall kindes and qualities: the said entrees, expulsions, bargaines, sales, fines, feoffmentes, recoueries, or other assurance, and conueighaunce whatsoeuer thei were, had, or made (excepte before in the former Acte excepted) to the contrarie notwithstanding. And where also it was enacted and graunted by the said late King, by the said former Acte, that the same late King during his natural life might make & directe his Commission, and Commissions vnder his grete Seale, to entre into al and singuler soche and as many Chauntries, free Chappelles, Hospitalles, Colleges, and other the promotions mentioned in the said former acte, & into al & singular soche Manours, mansions, houses, messes, landes, tenementes, pastures, wooddes, waters, rentes, reuercions, seruices, possessiones, and other hereditamentes whatsoeuer, or into any parte, or parcel thereof in the name, seisiō, and possession of all the hereditamentes annexed, united, belonging, or appertaining to any Chauntie, Hospital, free Chapel, College, Fraternitie, Brotherhed, Gilde, or other the said promotions, or wherof any Priestes, Monastes, Gouernours, Rulers, or other Incumbentes of them, or any of them, by what name, surname, degree, title

title, or copporacion, thei, and euery of them, or any of them were founde
 ded, erected, ordeined, established, named, called, or knowen, then had, or
 enioied, or that hereafter should haue, or enioie to thesaid chauntries,
 hospitalles, free chappelles, colleges, fraternities, brotherheddes, gilde-
 des, or other thesaid promotions, that then were chargeable to the paie-
 mente of the first fructes and tenthes: and al colleges that were charge-
 able, or not chargeable to thesaid paiemente of the first fructes & ten-
 thes, as is aforesaid, or to any of them, as should be named, expresse &
 appointed in thesaid commission or commissions: and to seise and take
 thesame chauntries, hospitalles, colleges, free chappelles, fraternities,
 brotherheddes, gildes, and other thesaid promotions, manours, lan-
 des, tenementes, and other the premises mencioned in thesaid commis-
 sion, or commissions, and in euery of them, and euery parte, parcell, and
 membre of thesame into the Kinges possession and handes: to haue and
 to holde thesame to thesaid late King, and to his heires and successours
 for euer, as by thesaid former Acte amongst other thinges moze at large
 appeareth: it is now ordeined and enacted by the King our Souueraine
 Lorde with the assent of the Lordes and commons in this present Par-
 lamente assembled, and by the auctoritie of thesame, that all maner of
 colleges, free chappelles, and chauntries, hauing, being, or in esse, with-
 in five yerres nexte before the first daie of this presente Parlamente,
 whiche were not in actual and reall possession of thesaid late King, nor
 in the actual and real possession of the King our Souueraine Lorde that
 now is, nor excepted in thesaid former Acte in fourme abouesaid, other
 then soche, as by the Kinges commissions in fourme hereafter mencioned
 shalbe altered, transposed, or chaunged, and all Manours, landes, tene-
 mentes, rentes, tithes, pencions, porcions, and other hereditamentes,
 and thinges aboue mencioned, belonging to them, or any of them: and
 also al Manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, and other hereditamen-
 tes, and thinges aboue mencioned by any maner of assurance, conuei-
 ghaunce, will, deuise, or other wise, had, made, suffered, knoweledged, or
 declared, geuen, assigned, limited, or appointed to the finding of any
 Prieste, to haue continuance for euer: and wherewith, or wherby any
 Prieste was sustained, mainteined, or founde within five yerres nexte be-
 fore the first daie of this presente Parlamente, whiche were not in the a-
 ctual and real possession of thesaid late King, nor in the actual and reall
 possession of our Souuerain Lorde the King that now is: and also, al an-
 nual rentes, profits, and emolumentes, at any time within five yeares
 next before the beginning of this present Parliament, employed, paid, or
 bestowed, toward, or for the maintenance, supportacion, or finding of
 any stipendiary Prieste, intruded by any Acte, or writing to haue conti-
 nuance for euer, shall by the auctoritie of this presente Parlamente,
 immediatlie after the feast of Easter nexte coming, be adiudged and de-
 cerned, and also bee in the very actuall and real possession and season of the
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King our Souerain Lorde, & his heires, and successours for ever, with out any office, or other inquisition therof to be had, or founde, and in as large and ample maner and forme as the Priests, Wardens, Masters, Ministers, Gouvernours, Rulers, or other incumbentes of them, or any of them, at any time within five yeres nexte before the beginning of this presente Parliament, had, occupied, or enioied, or now hath, occupieth, or enioieth the same, and as though al and singular the said Colleges free Chapelles, Chauntries, Stipendes, salaries of Priests, and the said Manours, Landes, Tenementes, Hereditamentes, and other the premises whatsoeuer they be, & euery of them, were in this present Acte speciallie, particularlie, and certainlie rehearsed, named, and expresse by expresse woordes, names, surnames, corporations, titles, and faculties, and in their natures, kinds, and qualities.

And ouer that, bee it ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie of this present Parliamente, that where any Manours, Landes, Tenementes, Tithes, Pensions, Portions, Rentes, Proficites, or other Hereditamentes by any maner of assurance, conueighaunce, will, deuise, or other wise at any time heretofore had, made, suffred, knoweleged, or declared, were geuen, assigned, or appoynted, to, or for the maintenaunce, sustentacion, or finding of one Priest, or of diuers Priests, for terme of certain yeres yet continuing, & that any Priest hath been mainteined, susteined, or found with the same, or with the reuenues, or proficites therof within five yeres last past, that the King from the said feast of Easter next coming, shal haue and enioie in euery behalfe, for, and during all soche time to come, euery soche, and like thinges, Tenementes, Hereditamentes, Proficites, & emolumentes, as the Priest, or Priests ought, or should haue had, for, or towarde his, or their maintenaunce, sustenaunce, or finding, and for no lenger, or foorthier time, nor for any other profite, auantage, or commoditie therof to be taken.

Whereof alwaies, and it is ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie of this present Parliamente, that when and as sone as the time assigned, for the maintenaunce, sustentacion, or finding of the Priest, or Priests shalbe expired and runne: that then it shal be laweful to euery persone, & persones to whom any Manours, Landes, tenementes, tithes, portions, pensions, rentes, and other hereditamentes, or any of them should haue belonged, or appertained, if the said former Acte and this Acte had neuer been had, or made, to entre into, take, perceiue, haue, and enioie the same without any maner of liuerie, ouster le mayne, petition, or other suite to be made to the King, in like maner, forme, and condicion, to all ententes, constructions, and purposes, as though the said former Acte and this Acte had neuer been had, or made, and as though the King had neuer had any lease or possession therof: Any thing in the said former Acte, or in this Acte, to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie of this present Parliamente,

lament, that the King our Souuerain Lorde, his heires, and successours from the said feast of Easter nexte coming, shal haue, holde, perceiue, and enioie for euer al landes, tenementes, rentes, and other hereditamentes whiche by any maner of assurance, conueighaunce, willes, wille, deuise, or other wise at any time heretofore had, made, suffered, knoweleged, or declared, were geuen, assigned, or appointed to goe, or bee employed whollie to the finding, or maintenaunce of any Anniversarie, or Obite, or other like thing, entente, or purpose, or of any lighte, or lampe, in any Church, or Chapell, to haue continuaunce for euer, whiche hath been kepte, or maintened within five yeares nexte before the said first date of this present Parliamente.

And also, that where but parte of the issues, or reuenues of any Manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, or other hereditamentes hath by any of the waies, or meanes abovesaid, been geuen, assigned, or appointed to be bestowed, or employed to the finding or maintenaunce of any Anniversarie, or Obite, or other like thing, intente, or purpose, or of any light, or lampe in any Church, or Chapel, and to haue continuaunce for euer: that then our Souuerain Lorde the King shal from the said feast of Easter next coming for euer haue, perceiue, & enioie every soche summes of moneie, that in any one yeare within five yeares nexte before the first date of this present Parliamente, hath been expended and bestowed about the finding, or maintenaunce of any soche Anniversarie, or Obite, or other like thing, intente, or purpose of any lighte, or lampe, to him, his heires, and successours for euer, as a rente charge to bee paid percellie at the feastes of Sainte Michaell the Archangel, and the Annunciation of our Ladie Samete Marie the Virgin, by euen portions in the Kinges Courte of the Augmentacions, and reuenues of his Crowne, or in any other Courte, or Courtes, as the King hereafter shall appointe. And that it shal be laweful to our said Souueraine Lorde the King, his heires, and successours for none paiement of any soche summe or summes of moneie, to disteine in the said Manours, landes, and tenementes of the issues and reuenues, wherof the said Anniversarie, or Obite, or other like thing, or any soche lighte or lampe was founde, sustained, or maintened. And that for lacke of sufficient distresse, in, or vpon any of the premises, wherof any of the said percellie rentes, or summes of moneie should be paid by the space of one moneth nexte after, that any of the said rentes should bee paid, and be not paid within the said moneth: that then it shal be laweful, to, & for our Souuerain Lorde the King, his heires, and successours, by vertue of this present Acte, to entre into, and to haue, and possede, as moche of the landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, wherof the said rente, or rentes should be leuied, or paid, as the rent, or rentes that should bee leuied, or paid out of the same, dooeth, or shal amount or come to in percellie value, and the same landes, tenementes and hereditamentes to holde and kepe, and to haue our said Souue-

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reine Lorde the King, his heires and assignes for ever, or for soche estate as our Souveraine Lorde the King, his heires, or successours, had, or ought to have had, of, or in the said rent, or rents.

And it is also ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie of this present Parliamente, that our Souveraine Lorde the King, shall from the said feast of Easter nexte coming, have, percieve, and enioie all and singular soche summes of monie, profite, commodities, and emolumentes, whiche by vertue of any maner of assurance, conuighaunce, composition, wil, devise, or otherwise, heretofore have been given, assigned, limited, or appointed to have continuance for ever, whiche in any one yere within five yeres next before the beginning of this present Parliamente have been paid, bestowed, or employed by any maner of corporations, guildes, fraternities, companies, or felowshippes of misteries, or craftes, or any of them, being in Englande, Wales, and other the Kinges Dominions, or by the masters, wardens, governours, or other officers, or ministers, or by the master, warden, gouvernour, or other officer, or minister of them, or any of them, towarde, or aboute the finding, maintenance, or sustentacion of any schelle, or schelles, of any annuierarie, or obite, lampe, lighte, or lightes, or other like thing, as is aforesaid, to our said Souveraine Lorde the King, his heires, and successours for ever: to be paid yecelle, as a rent charge, at the feastes of sancte Michael the Archaungel, and the Annunciation of our Ladie, by even porcions, in the Kinges Courte of the Augmentacions, & revenues of his crowne or in any other Courte, or Courtes, as the King hereafter shal appointe. And that it shal be laweful to our said Souverain Lorde the King, his heires, & successours for none paiemente of any soche summe, or summe of monie, profite, commoditie, or emolument, or for none paiemente of any of them, to disreigne in al the Shannours, landes, & tenementes of every soche craftes, corporations, guildes, fraternities, companies, or felowshippes of misteries or craftes, or any of them, by whom, or by the masters, wardens, governours, or other officers, or ministers, or master, warden, gouvernour, or minister, of the whiche any soche summe, or summe of monie, profite, commoditie, or emolument, have or hath been paid, bestowed, or employed: And that al and every of the said summes of monie, profite, commodities, and emolumentes, shall from the feast of Easter nexte coming, without any maner of inquisition, or office to bee had, or founde, be iudged and demed to be in the actual and real possessiō of our said Souverain Lorde the King, in like maner and forme, to al intentes, constructions, and purposes, as if the same had been particularlie and speciallie mentioned in this present Acte.

And furthermore be it ordeined & enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid that the King our Souveraine Lorde, shal from the said feast of Easter nexte coming, have, and enioie to him, his heires, and successours for ever, all fraternities, brotherheddes, and guildes, being within the
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Realme of Englande, and Wales, and other the Kinges dominions: and al Manours, Landes, Tenementes, and other Hereditamentes, belonging to them, or any of them, other then soche Corporacions, Guildes, Fraternities, companies, and felowshippes of misteries, or craftes, and the Manours, Landes, Tenementes, and other hereditamentes, pertaining to thesaid corporacions, guildes, fraternities, companies, and felowshippes of misteries, or craftes aboue mentioned: and shal by vertue of this Acte be iudged and demed, in actuall and reall possession of our said Souueraine Lorde the King, his heires, and Successours, from the said feaste of Easter nexte coming for ever, without any inquisitiones or office therof to be had or found.

And also be it ordeined and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that our said Souueraine Lorde the King, his heires and Successours, at his and their wil and pleasure make directe his, and their Commissions and Commission vnder the greate Seale of Englande to soche persones, as it shal please him. And that thesame Commissioners, or twoo of them at the least, shal haue full power and auctoritie by vertue of this Acte, and of thesaid Commission, as well to surueie all and singular laie Corporacions, Guildes, Fraternities, Companies, and felowshippes of Misteries, or Craftes Incorporated, and euery of them, as all other thesaid Fraternities, Brotherheddes, and Guildes within the limites of their Commission, to them directed: And all the Euidences, Compositions, Bookes of accomptes, and other writings of euery of them, to the intente thereby to knowe, what monie, and other thinges was paid, or bestowed to the finding, or maintenaunce of any Prieste, or Priestes, Anniversarie, or Obite, or other like thing, Lighte, or Lampe, by them, or any of them: as also to inquire, searche, and trie, by all soche waies and meanes, as to them shal bee thought meete and convenient, what Manours, Landes, Tenementes, Rentes, and other Hereditamentes, Profytes, Commodities, Emolumentes, and other thinges bee geuen, limited, or appointed to our said Souuerain Lorde the King by this Acte within the limites of their Commission. And also that thesame Commissioners, or twoo of them at the least, by vertue of this Acte, and of the Commission to them directed, shal haue full power and auctoritie to assigne, and shal appointe in euery soche place where Gilde, Fraternitie, the Prieste, or Incumbente of any Chauntrie in esse, the first date of this presente Parlaunte by the foundation, ordinance, the first institution therof, should, or ought to haue kepte a Grammar Schole, or a Preacher, and so hath dooen, sithen the feaste of Saincte Michael the Archangel last past, Landes, Tenementes, and other Hereditamentes of euery soche Chauntrie, Gilde, and Fraternitie to remaine, and continue in Succession to a Schole Master, or Preacher for ever, for, and towarde the keeping of a Grammar Schole, or Preaching, and for soche goodlie ententes, and purposes,

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and in soche maner and fourme, as thesame Commissioners, or twoo of them at the least shal assigne, or appointe: And also to make and ordeine a Vicare to have perpetuitie for ever, in everie Parische Church the first daie of this present Parliamente, being a College, free Chappel, or Chauntre, or appropried, annexed, or united to any College, free Chappel, or Chauntre, that shal come to the Kinges handes by vertue of this Acte, and to endowe every soche Vicare sufficientlie, having respecte to his cure and charge, thesame endowement to be to every soche Vicare, and to his successors for ever, without any other licence, or graunte of the King, the Bishoppe or other Officers of the Diocese. And also thesaid Commissioners, or twoo of them at the least, shal have auctoritie by force of this Acte, to assigne in every greate Toun, or Parische, where thei shal thinke necessarie to have moe Priestes then one, for the ministring of the Sacramentes, within thesame Toun, or Parische, Landes and Tenementes, belonging to any Chauntre, Chappelle, or Stipendiarie Prieste, being within thesame Toun, or Parische the first daie of this present Parliamente, to be to soche persone and persones, as thesaid Commissioners, or twoo of them at the least, shal assigne, or appointe to continue in succession for ever, for, and towarde the sufficient finding, and maintenaunce of one, or moe Priestes within thesame Toun, or Parische, as by thesaid Commissioners, or twoo of them shal bee thought necessarie, or convenient. And also to make ordinaunces and rules, concerning the service, bser, and demeanour of every soche Prieste and Scholemaster, as is aforesaid, to be appointed, as also by what name, or names, he and thei shal from henceforth be named and called. And also that thesaid Commissioners, or twoo of them at the least, shal have full power and auctoritie by vertue of this Acte, and of thesaid Commission to them directed, to assigne aswel to every Deane, Master, Warden, Broust, and other Incumbente, and Minister of any of thesaid Colleges, free Chappelles, or Chauntres, being within the limites of their Commission, whiche hereafter shalbe dissolved, or determined by vertue of this Acte, as to every Stipendiarie Prieste, and other Prieste, whose Salarie the King shalbe intituled unto by this Acte, as to every felowe and poore persone, having peacelle relief out of any of thesaid Colleges, free Chappelles, or Chauntres being within the limites of their Commission, soche several peacelle annuities, pensions, or other recompenses, during their several lives, as to thesame Commissioners, or twoo of them shal bee thought meete and convenient. And over that, thesaid Commissioners, or twoo of them at the least, shal have full power and auctoritie by vertue of this Acte, and of the Commission to them directed, to inquire, and trie by soche waies and meanes as thei shal thinke meete and convenient, what monie, profits, and benefite any poore persone, or persons by vertue of any conveyance, assurance, compolition, will, devise, or other wise, heretofore had,

had or made, intended or meant to haue continuance for ever, had, or enioied, within five yeeres, next befoze the beginning of this present parliament out of any College, free Chapel, or chauntie, and other the premises geuen, limited, or appoynted to the king by this act, being within the limites of their commission. And thereupon to make assignementes and orders in suche maner and forme, as all and singular suche said monie, profite and commoditie shalbe paid to poore people for ever: According to suche said assurance, composition, will, devise, or other thing had, or made for the same, and to assigne and appoynt, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes, percell of the premises for the maintenance and continuance of the same for ever, and also to appoynte to fraternities, brotherhoodes, and guildes, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, percell of the premises towarde and for the maintenance of piers, lutties, walles, or bankes, against the rages of the sea, hauens, and Creekes. And that all and singular annuities, pensions, and other recompenses, shalbe halfe yerelie paid to the persons, to whom the same ought to be paid by the kinges Receiuer for the time being, of his landes commonlie called the suppressed landes, or other his revenues, lying in the countie or citie, where suche college, free chapel, or chauntie, or other the premises geuen, limited or appoynted to the king, by this act, the first daie of this present parliament, were or remained without any fee, or rewarde thereto to be paid: The first paiement to begin at the feast of saint Michael the Archangel nexte comming. And that every suche receiuer, upon his accompte, shall haue full and due allowance of all suche annuities, pensions, and other recompenses by him paid, by vertue of any suche assignement to be made, by the said commissioners or two of them at the least.

And it is ordeined and enacted by the auctorite of this present parliament, that the said commissioners, and every of them, that shal take upon him the execution of any of the said commissions, shalbe bounde, as he wil answer befoze God, to execute the commission, to him and other directed, beneficialle towarde the deanes, maisters, wardens, prouostes, & other incumbentes and ministers aforesaid, and towarde the poore peole, concerning the said assignementes, and also towarde the maintenance of piers, lutties, walles, or bankes against the rages of the sea, hauens and creekes: And that al maner of assignementes & ordinaunces to be made by the said commissioners, or two of them at the least and certified vnder their seales, or the seales of two of the at the least, into the kinges court of the augmentacions and revenues of his crowne, or to any other court, or courtes, by the kinges Maistie to be made or assigned, shall by vertue of this act, and of the said commissioners, be as good and effectual in the law to al intentes, constructions and purposes, as though the same had been assigned and ordeined by auctorite of this presente parliament, by expresse and apste wordes, termes, and sentences.

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Provided also, that suche annuities, pensions, or other recompenses, that thesaid commissioners, or any of them, shall assigne or appoynt to be paid percell to any suche deane, maister, warden, gouvernour, or other incumbent, fellow, or minister, shall not extend to any moze clere percell value, then suche deane, maister, warden, prouost, gouvernour, or other incumbent, fellow, or minister, or his predecessor lawfullie had, or enioied in monie, meate, drinke, luerie, or allowance of thesame percell, within five yeres, next before the beginning of this present Parliament.

Provided also, that if any of thesaid maisters, wardens, prouostes, gouvernours, or other incumbents, fellow, or ministers, shall at any time hereafter, during his life, be promoted by the king to any benefice, or other spiritual promotion, being of a better clere percell value the his said annuities or pensions, or other recompense shall be of: that then the annuities, pension, or other recompense that any suche deane, maister, warden, gouvernour, prouost, or other incumbent, fellow, minister, that so shall be promoted shall haue, shall immediately after such promotion had, cease, & utterly determine.

And be it ordeined and enacted by theauctoritie of this present Parliament, that thesaid commissioners, or two of them at the least, to whom any commission by vertue or meane of this act, shall be directed and deliuered shall be bounden vpon the forfeiture, every of them of a hundred pounde, to make certificats vnder their seales, or the seales of two of the at the least into thesaid court of the augmentacions, and reuenues of the kinges crowne, or into any other court, as is aforesaid, within one yere next after the commission to them directed, of all manours, landes, tenements, rentes, tithes, portions, pensions, hereditamentes, and recompenses by thesame commissioners or two of them, assigned or appoynted to any of the uses, intents, or purposes aboue mencioned.

And also be it ordeined & enacted, by theauctoritie of this present parliament, that our Souerain lord the king shall haue and enioie al suche gooddes, cattalles, iuelles, plate, ornametes, & other moueables, as were or be the common gooddes of euery suche college, chauntrie, frechappel, or stipendarie priest, belonging or annexed to the furniture or seruice of their severall foundations, or abused of any of thesaid corporations, in the abuses aforesaid, the propertie wherof was not altered nor charged before the, viii. daie of Decembre, in the yere of our lord God. M. D. xlvii.

And it is also ordeined & enacted by theauctoritie of this present parliament, that al suche debtes and summes of monie, as ought, or should without fraude or coun hereafter be paid of the monie or gooddes of any of thesaid colleges, due, or payable, by reaso of any contract, specialtie or promise, had or made, before thesame. viii. daie, shall truelie & fullie be paid by the treasurer of the kinges court of the augmentacions & reuenues of his crowne, or by the treasurer or receiver of any other court, to which any of the premisses shall be appoynted of the kinges treasure, being in his or their handes, with as conuenient speede, as thesame may be paid

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Provided alwaies, and bee it ordeined and enacted, by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that this acte, or any article, clause or matier contained in the same, shall not in any wise extende to any College, Hostell or Halle, beeyng within either of the Universities of Cambridge and Oxforde, nor to any Chauntry founded in any of the Colleges, Hostelles or Halles, beeyng in the same Universities, nor to the frechappell of saint George the Martire, situate in the Castell of Wyndesore, nor to the College, called saint Mary College of Winchester, besides Winchester, of the foundation of Bisshope Wykeham, nor to the College of Eton, nor to the parische Church, commonly called the Chappell in the sea in Aetwton, within the Isle of Eile, in the countie of Cambridge, nor to any Manours, Landes, Tenementes, or Hereditamentes, to them, or to any of them perteynyng or belongyng, nor to any Chappell made or ordeined, for the ease of the people, dwellyng distante from the parische church, or soche like Chappell, wherunto no moze landes or tenementes, then the churchyard, or a litle House or Close, dooeth belong or pertain, nor to any Cathedrall church or College, where a Bisshoppes see is, within this realme of Englande, or in Wales, nor to the Manours, Landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes of any of them, other then to soche Chauntries, Obites, Lightes and Lampes, or any of them, as at any time within five yerres, next before the begynnynge of this present parliament, have been had, used or maintained, within the said cathedrall churches, or within any of the or the issues, revenues, or profits of any of the said cathedrall churches to whiche Chauntries, Obites, lightes and lampes, it is enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid that this acte shall extende.

And it is ordeined and enacted, by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that our Souerein Lorde the King, at any time, duryng his life (whiche GOD long preserve) maie at his will and pleasure, alter and chaunge the name or names, of all and singular Chauntries, and the foundations of the same, beeyng in any of the Colleges, Hostelles, or Halles of any of the said Universities, accoording as to his godlie wisdom shall be thought mete and convenient.

Saaying to all and every persone and persones, bodles politique and corporate, their heires and successours, and the heires and successours of every of them, other then the Masters, Wardens, Ministers, Governours, Rulers, Priests, Incumbentes, Felowes, and Brethren of the said Colleges, Chauntries, frechappelles, and other the premisses, gene, limited or appoynted to the king by this acte: and the successours of the, and every of them, and other then soche as bee, or pretende to bee, foundoures, patrones, or donours of the premisses, or any of them, or of any parte or parcell thereof, and the heires, successours and assignes, of every, or any of them: and other then soche, as bee, or were seoffees, recoveries, comises, grauntes, or devises of any of the premisses, to, or for any of the bles, purposes, or ententes aboue mentioned, or to the vse of any of the

saied Colleges, Frechappelles, Chauntries, or other the premises, geuen, limited, or appointed by this acte to the king, or to the entent to employe the Rentes, or profits therof, to the vse of Masters, Rulers, Incumbentes, or Ministers of theim, or any of theim: and other then soche persone and persones, and bodies politique and Corporate, their heires, Successours, and assignes, as claime or pretende, to haue estate, right, title, interest, vse, possession, or condicion, of, in, or to the premises, or any parte or parcell therof, by reason of any feoffement, fine, bargain and sale or by any other waies, meanes, or conueighaunce to theim made, of any estate of inheritaunce, without thesaied late Kinges licence, assent, consent, or agreement, and without the licence, assent or agreement of the Kinges Maiestie that now is, by any of thesaied Deanes, Masters, Wardens, Ministers, Gouernours, Rulers, Priests or Incumbentes, or by the Foundours, Donours, or Patrones of theim, or of any of theim, all soche right, title, claime, possession, interest, rentes, annuities, commodities, commons, offices, fees, leases, liuries, luynges, pensions, porcions, debtes, dueties, and other profits, whiche thei, or any of theim lawfully haue, or of right ought to haue, or mighte haue had, in, of, or to any of the premises, or in, of, or to any parte or parcell therof, in soche like maner, forme and condicion, to all ententes, respectes, constructions and purposes, as if this acte had neuer been had nor made, and as though thesaied Chauntries, Colleges, and other thesaied promotions, had still continued and remained, in their full beyng: and sauyng to all and euery Patrone, Donour, Foundour, or Gouernour of any soche College, Chauntie, frechappell, Stipendarie Priests, and other the premises, geuen, limited, or appointed to the king by this acte, and the Donour, Feoffor, and geuer of the aforesaid Landes, Tenementes, or Hereditamentes, to them or any of theim, or to any vles, or purposes befoze mencioned, all soche rentes, seruices, rentes seche, rentes charge, fees, annuities, profits and offices: and also leases for terme of life, liues, and yeres, wherupon the accustomed rent, or more, is reserved, as thei, or any of them lawfully had, perceiued, and enioied, in, out, or of any thesaied promotions, or out of any of thesaied Landes, Tenementes, or Hereditamentes, befoze the firste daie of this present Parliament.

And ouer that, it is ordeined and enacted, by the auctoritie of this present Parliament, that all and euery persone and persones beyng in life whiche haue, or hath for any some of money, to him or them paid, bargained or sold, any Manours, Landes, Tenementes, or other Hereditamentes aforesaid, wherunto the king our souerein lord is intituled, by vertue of this Acte, shall repaie to soche persone, as so boughte any of thesaied Manours, Landes, Tenementes, or other Hereditamentes, or to his Executours, or Assignes, vpon a request therfoze made, or within thre Monethes, then nexte ensuyng thesame request, almoche money, as he or thei receiued, for the saile of any thing, so by him or thei solde.

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And for none paiement therof, soche persone and persones as purchased, or boughte thesaid landes, tenementes, and other the premises, or any percell therof, and their executors, and administrators, shalbee enabled by the auctoritie of this present Parlamente, to sue, and maintain an action of debt, at the common lawes of this realme, against soche persone, or persones, as so bargained or solde to him, or them, or to their testatour any of the premises, belongyng to any college, chauntrie, frechappell, or other promotion spirituall, in whiche action of debte, none essoine, protection or wager of lawe shalbe admitted, or allowed.

And bee it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all, and euery of thesaid chauntries, colleges, and frechappelles, and other the premises, geuen, limited, or appointed to the king by this acte, and all the mansion houses, manours, landes, tenementes, possessions, and hereditamentes, and other the premises whatsoeuer they be, geuen, limited, and appointed to the king by this acte, and euery parte and percell of them, whiche by auctoritie and vertue of this acte, been bested, aduudged and demed, or shalbe in the Kinges Maiesties possession and handes, or whiche the king shalbe entitled vnto, by vertue of this acte, shalbee in the order, suruaie and gouernaunce of our souerein lord the kinges courte of the Augmentacions and reuenues of his crowne, or in soche other courte as the king at any time hereafter shall assigne, name, or appoint, and so shall, and maie be graunted, letten and sette to the same by the Chancellour, officers, and ministers of thesame courte, or of any other courte so to bee appointed, in soche maner and fourme, as other manours, landes, tenementes, appointed to thesame courte of Augmentacions, and reuenues of his graces crowne, or other Courte so to be appointed, been to bee graunted or letten: And that all the farmes, issues, reuenues and profites, commyng and growyng of thesame premises, and of euery part therof, shalbee taken and receiued to the Kinges vse, by the officers, and ministers of thesame courte, or courtes, in soche maner and fourme, as is vsed and had of other manours, landes, and tenementes, and of the issues reuenues and profites of thesame, committed to the order, rule, suruaie, and gouernaunce of thesaid Courte of the Augmentacions and Reuenues of the Kinges crowne, or any other courte so to bee appointed: any acte, statute, ordinance, custome, or vse, heretofore had, made, or vsed, to the contrary notwithstanding.

And it is further enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that if any of thesaid Masters, Wardens, Ministers, Rulers, Gouernours, Priests, Incumbentes, or awners of any soche College, Chauntrie, Frechappell, or of any the premises, geuen, limited, or appointed to the king, by this Acte, or of any of the, sithens the xxiii. daie of Nouember, in the xx. yere of the reigne of thesaid late king, haue made any lease, vnder his, or their Common Seale, or otherwise, for terme of yeres, life, or liues, of thesaid Colleges, Chauntries, Frechappelles, or of other thesame pre-

misses, or of any part therof, or of any Honours, Landes, Tenementes, possessions, or Hereditamentes whatsoever thei be, to them, or to any of theim, vnted, or annexed, belongyng, or apperteynyng, vpon the whiche leasses, the vsuall and olde rentes and termes, accustomed to bee yelden and reserued, or moze, by the space of twentie yeres nexte before thesaied xxiij. daie of Nouember, not reserued and yelde, shalbe utterly boide, and of none effecte: and that all other leasses, and grauntes, heretofore made of any the premisses, geuen, limited, or appointed to the king, by this acte, shalbe as good, auailable, and effectuell in the lawe, to all ententes constructions, and purposes, as if this acte had neuer been had or made, any thing in this Acte, or any other Acte heretofore had or made, to the contrary therof in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and be it further ordeined and enacted, by the authoritie aforesaid, that this acte, or any thing therein contained, shall not extende to any Honours, Landes, Tenementes, Possessions, or hereditamentes, whiche thesaied Masters, Wardens, Ministers, Chauntries Priests, Incumbentes, or other thesaied Gouvernours, Officers, Ministers, or Rulers of the premisses, or of any of theim, hath, or is, or hereafter shall haue, or bee possessed, or sealed of in fee simple, fee taile, general, or speciall, for terme of life, terme of yeres, or otherwise, to his or their awne propre vles, by inheritaunce, or purchase: and not beyng at any tyme vnted, or annexed, to his, or their saied Colleges, Frechappelles Chauntries, or other the premisses, geuen, limited, or appointed to the king by this acte: nor shall extende to any Honours, Landes, Tenementes, Possessions, Rentes, Annuities, and yerely pencion, or pencions, or to any yerely somme, or sommes of money, beyng not vnted, or percell of any thesaied Colleges, and other the premisses aforesaid, or of any of the heretofore geuen, or graunted by thesaied late king, or geuen, or graunted, or hereafter to be geuen or graunted by the king our souerein Lorde, to any of thesaied Deanes, Masters, Wardens, Ministers, Chauntries Priests, Incumbentes, Gouvernours, or Rulers of the premisses, or of any of theim, for terme of life onely, vnder his greate Seale of Englande or vnder the Seale of the Courte of the Augmentacions, and reuenues the Kinges crowne, or any other of the Kinges seales, of any of his courttes: any thing contained in this acte, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by authoritie aforesaid, that aswell, all and euery Patrone, Donour, Foundour and geuer of any of thesaied promotions, or premisses, or geuer, Donour, or Feoffer, of any their Landes, Tenementes, Possessions, or other Hereditamentes, as all and euery persone and persones, bodies politique and corporate, whiche before the making of this Acte, lawfully, without fraude, or couyn, had, or enioied, any manner of rente, or other yerely profit, to bee taken, perceived or had of any Chauntries, Colleges, Frechappelles, or other the premisses,

premisses, geuen, limited, or appoynted to the King by this acte, or out of any Manours, Landes, Tenementes, or other possessions of them, or any of them shall haue and enioie thesame, in like maner and fourme, as thei should, and oughte to haue dooen, if thesaid Colleges, Chauntries, frechappelles, and other the premisses geuen, limited, or appoynted to the king by this acte, had still remained and continued in esse, and full beyng: any thing in this acte mencioned, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, and bee it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that if any soche gouernour, ruler, wardein, master, incumbente, minister, or other hauyng any of thesaid spirituall promotions, or incumbentes haue or shall compounde for the first fructes of any soche spirituall promotions, accordyng to the lawes and statutes of this realme, and the daies of payment of any part thereof, not expired before the first daie of this Parliament, that all summes of money so to be due and payeable, sithens thesaid first daie of this parlamente shall cease, and bee not paid, asked, or demaunded: any bonde, recognisance, suretie, or other thing had or made to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that all soche rentes, seruices, Issues, profits and other summes of money payable out of, or for any of the premisses, or any of the in the kinges court of his Exchequer, shall continue, and bee continually and perye leuied, charged, or paid in thesame courte, in soche maner and fourme, as heretofore hath been vsed: any lawe, custome, vnitie of possession in the Kinges highnesse, or other thing to the contrary notwithstanding: And as though thesaid promotions, Manours, landes, tenementes, and other the premisses had not come to the kinges handes or possession.

And be it further enacted, by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that all and euery letters patentes made by thesaid late king Henry the eight, or by the kinges Maieste that now is, or hereafter to be made by his highnes, to any persone, or persones, or to any Archebischoppe, or Bischoppe, of any of thesaid Colleges, Chauntries, frechappelles, or other the premisses, or any parte or parcell of them, or of any Landes, Tenementes, or Hereditamentes belongyng, or apperteynyng, or that did belong, or apperteyn to them, or to any of them: And all fines, giftes, grauntes, scoffementes, recoueries, and all other assurances and conueighaunces thereof had or made, by the assente, consente, or licence, vnder the greate Seale of Englande, of thesaid late king Henry the eighte, or of the kinges Maieste that now is, to any persone, or persones, bodies politique or Corporate, by any Chauntreie prieste, master, wardein, minister, ruler, gouernour, or other hauyng any of thesaid promotions, or any of thesaid Colleges, Chauntries, frechappelles, or other the premisses, or of any of them, or of any part, parcell, or membre of thesame, shall stande and bee in their forces, and effectes, and shalbee good and effectuell in the Lawe, for soche

estatutes and interrestes, geuen, graunted, limited, or appoynted in any of the giffes, grauntes, assurauntes, or coueighaunces therof had, or made, accordyng to their purpoytes, fourme, and matier, and accordyng to the true entent and meanyng of the same assuraunces, and shalbe by auctoritie of this acte good, perfecte, and available, as well against the King, his heires and successours, as against the said Chauntrie priestes, wardeins, masters, rulers, gournours, and other hauing any of the said promotions, and their successours, and the successours of euery of them: as also against the foundours, donours, and patrones of the same, and the ordinarie of them, and euery of them, and the heires, and successours of euery of them: any lawe, statute, ordinaunce, or other thing to the contrary therof notwithstanding.

And where diuers and sundrie Bishoppes, Deanes, Archdeacons, Treasaurours, Prebendaries, Chauntrie priestes, Masters, prouostes, Rulers, gournours, of any Deaneries, Archdeaneries, Treasaurourshippes, Prebendes, frechappelles, Chauntries, or Colleges, within this realme of Englande, and other the kinges Maiesties dominions, or any of the patrones, foundours, donours of any of the Bishoppriches, Treasaurourshippes, Deaneries, Chauntries, frechappelles, or other the said Spirituall promotions, of their voluntarie willes, or mindes, for diuers good and reasonable causes and considerations, by deede or deedes enrolled, or by other writtynges, or conueighaunces heretofore geuen and graunted to the late king of famous memorie Henry the eight late king of England, and to his heires, or to our souerein lord the king that now is, and to his heires, diuers of their Deaneries, Archdeaneries, Treasaurourshippes, Prebendes, chappelles, chauntries, and colleges, or any other ecclesiasticall or spirituall promotions last before remembred: and all, or some parte of the manours, landes, tenementes, tithes, pencions, annuities, rentes, reuercions, and other reuenues, hereditamentes, possessions, emolumentes and profites, to the same Bishoppriches, Deaneries, Archdeaconries, Treasaurourshippes, prebendes, chappelles, chauntries, colleges, and other like promotions, benefices, offices, and dignities, or to any of them belongyng, apperteynyng, vnted, or annexed, or whiche the said bishoppes, deanes, archdeacons, treasaurours, chauntrie priestes, masters, prouostes, rulers, gournours, and other Ecclesiasticall or spirituall officers, or ministers, or any of the said patrones, donours, or foundours, or any of them had or enioyed in the right, or bee reason of any of the same promotions, offices, or dignities.

Be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all and euery giffes and grauntes heretofore made to the said late king, and to his heires, or to our souerein Lord the king that now is, and to his heires, by any Archbishopp, Bishopp, Deane, Archdeacon, Treasaurour, Prebendarie, master, prouost, gournour, or other the said Ecclesiasticall or spiritual persone, or persones, or by any patrones, donour, or foundour of any

any of thesaied Deaneries, Chauntries, or other of thesaied spirituall or Ecclesiasticall promotions, or of all, or any of the manours, landes, tenementes, tithes, rentes, reuerfions, penciōs, porcions, annuities, or other hereditamentes, reuenues, emolumentes, profitēs, or commodities, to any of thesaied benefices, offices, prebendes, promotions, or dignities belonging, apperteyning, united, or annexed, or whiche any of thesame Archebishops, Bishops, Deanes, Archdeacons, Treasaurours, Masters, Prouostes, Prebendaries, Rulers, Gouvernours, Officers, or Ministers, Patrones, Foundours, or Donours had, or enioied, or haue, or enioie, or ought to haue, or enioie, in the right, or by reason, or meanes of any of thesame promotions, offices, or dignities, shalbee good and effectuell in the lawe, to all ententes and purposes: Sauyng to all and euery persone, and persones, and bodies politique and corporate, their heires, successours, and assignes, and to the heires, successours, and assignes of euery of theim, other then the Archebishops, Bishops, Deanes, archdeacons, treasaurours, prebendaries, rulers, gouernours, wardenes, prouostes, geuours, and grauntours of any of the premises, & their heires, successours, and assignes, and other then soche Ecclesiasticall, or spirituall persones, bodies politique or corporate, as are, or pretende to bee foundours, donours, patrones, or ordinaries of the premises, or any of them, al soche rightes, titles, interestes, claimes, entrees, rentes, reuerfions, remainders, fees, offices, annuities, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, profitēs, commodities, and emolumentes, as thei or any of them haue, or should, or ought to haue had, of, in, or to the premises next aboue mencioned, or any part therof as if this acte had neuer been had, or made any thing in this acte, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, that this acte, or any thing therein conteined, shall not in any wise extende to make good or effectuell any gift, graunt, bargain, sale or alienacion made by any Person, or Vicare of their Personages, or Vicareages, or of any part or percell therof, or of any thing to them, or any of them belongyng, or apperteyning.

Provided also, that this acte, or any thing therein conteined, shall not in any wise extende, to hinder or prejudice George Brooke knight, lord Cobham, his heires, or assignes, for, or concerning the late college of Cobham in the Countie of Kent, or the Manours, Landes, Tenementes, or possessions therof: any thing aboue mencioned to the contrary, in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that this presente acte, or any thing therein conteined, shall in any wise extende, or be prejudicial, or hurtfull to the general corporation of any citie, borough or Towne, within this Realme, or any other the Kinges dominions, ne shall extende to any the Landes, or Hereditamentes, of theim, or any of theim: Any thing herein conteined, to the contrarie in any wise notwithstanding.

I. iii.

Provided

Provided also, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid that all soche of thesaid colleges, frechappelles, chauntries, and other the premises, beyng appointed and geuen to the kinges highnes, by the auctoritie of this acte, as be within the Duchie of Lancaster, and all manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, perteynyng or belongyng to thesame colleges, frechappelles, and chauntries, shall after thesaid feast of Easter nexte commyng, be within the surueie and orde of the courte of the Duchie of Lancaster, in soche maner and fourme, as other the premises bee assigned, or appointed by auctoritie of this acte, to bee in the surueie and orde of the Courte of the Augmentacions and reuenues of the kinges croune, or other courte by the king to be assigned: and that all commissions, that hereafter shalbe awarded by vertue and force of this acte, concernyng soche colleges, frechappelles, chauntries, and other the premises, as be within thesaid Duchie of Lancaster, shalbe awarded vnder the greate seale of Englande, and shalbe certified into thesame court of the Duchie of Lancaster: any thing abovesaid, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that this acte, ne any thing therein conteyned, shall extende to the College, or chauntrye of Attilbourghe in the countie of Suffolke, whiche thesaid late king Henry theight gaue to Robarte, late erle of Suffex, and to his heires: but that Henry now erle of Suffex, sooone and heire to thesaid late Erle, his heires and assignes, shall, and maie, by the auctoritie of this acte, haue and enioie thesaid college, and chauntrye, and all manours, Landes, Tenementes, aduousons, tithes, pencions, porcions, and other hereditamentes therunto belongyng, or apperteynyng: any thing in this acte, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and by the auctoritie aforesaid be it enacted, that the kinges Maiestie, at any tyme, when it shall seme to him good, maie geue auctoritie to certain his graces commissioners, to alter the nature and condicion of all maner of Obites, aswell within the Vniuersities of Cambridge and Oxforde, as in any other place, within this his graces realme of Englande, and Wales, beyng not suppressed, ne aduichate by vertue of this present acte, and thesame obites so altered, to dispose to a better vse: as to the relief of some pooze menne beyng students, or otherwise.

Provided also, and be it enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that it shall not be lesfull to any persone, or persones, bodies politique or corporate, by reason of any remainder, vse, or condicion, to entre into, claime, or challenge any landes, tenementes, or hereditamentes, for the none dooyng, not namyng, or none findyng of any soche priest, or priestes, or poore folkes, as is aforesaid, obite, anniuersarie, light, or lampe, from henceforth to be founden or dooen: any thing herein conteyned, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided

Þrouided alwaies, that this acte, noꝛ any thing therein conteyned, shall in any wise extende to any landes, tenementes, possessions, oꝛ hereditamentes whatsoener, that any Master, Deane, prebendarie, wardein, oꝛ chauntrie, oꝛ any Stipendarie priest of any college, chauntrie, prebende, fraternitie, guilde, oꝛ any other corporations haue, oꝛ helde of any persone, oꝛ persones, by copie of courte rolle, oꝛ at will, accordyng to the custome of any manour, oꝛ manours: noꝛ geue oꝛ graunt any copiholde landes to the kinges highnesse.

And also prouided, that the kinges highnes, his heires, oꝛ successours shall not in any wise haue, holde, entoe, oꝛ take by vertue of this acte, oꝛ any article therein conteyned, any maner of copiholde landes, tenementes, possessions, oꝛ hereditamentes whatsoener thei be: but that all and enery of thesaid persones, and incumbentes shall haue, holde, and enioie the same, duryng their liues, towardes their pencion and yerely liuyng: payyng the rentes, and dooyng their customes and seruices therof due and accustomed, any thing in this acte, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Þrouided, that this acte shall not extende to any landes, tenementes, oꝛ hereditamentes assigned, appoynted, oꝛ intended foꝛ the findyng, oꝛ mainteinaunce of any chauntrie priest, oꝛ stipendarie priest, whiche by any former right, and good title, without fraude oꝛ coum, were lawfully recovered from the possession of any soche chauntrie priest, oꝛ stipendarie priest, befoze the first daie of October, thesaid. xxvii. yere of the reigne of thesaid late king Henry theight, whiche landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes were not charged, noꝛ chargeable to the payment of the perpetuall tenth: any thing in this acte, to the contrary herof notwithstanding.

Þrouided alwaies, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all and singular grauntes, licences, confirmacions, and letters patentes, whiche our late souerain loꝛde king Henry theight, oꝛ our souerain loꝛde the king that now is, haue made vnder the greatescale of Englande to any persone, oꝛ persones, bodie politique oꝛ corporate, of any college, chappell, oꝛ chauntrie now beyng in esse, oꝛ standyng, oꝛ now not beyng in esse, oꝛ not standyng, oꝛ of any lordshippes, manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes annexed, united, belongyng, oꝛ apperteynyng to any college, chapell, oꝛ chauntrie now beyng in esse, oꝛ standyng, oꝛ now not beyng in esse, oꝛ not standyng, oꝛ of any other thing, oꝛ thinges mentioned, expꝛessed in this acte: and all and enery matier and thing mentioned, expꝛessed oꝛ conteyned in any soche graunte, licence, confirmation, oꝛ letters patentes, shall from hencefoꝛthe bee demed, taken, expounded, and adiudged good and effectuell in the lawe, accordyng to the wordes, sentences, meanynges, ententes, forme, and effectes of thesame grauntes, licences, confirmacions, and letters patentes, to all ententes, constructions, and purposes, as if this acte, and thesaid acte made in thesaid xxvii. yere of thesaid late king Henry theight, had neuer been had noꝛ made.

made. And that this acte, or the said acte made in the said .xxxvii. yere of the reigne of our said late souerein lord king Henry theight, or any clause, article, sentence, or other thing therein contained, shall not extende to any Colleges, Chappelles, Chauntries, or other thing or thinges mentioned in this acte, now being in esse, or standing, or now not being in esse, or not standing, or to any manours, landes, tenementes, possessions, reuenues, or hereditamentes annexed, united, belongyng or apperteynyng to any College, Chappell, Chauntie, or other thing mentioned in this acte now being in esse, or standing, or now not being in esse, or not standing, or to any other thing, or thinges mentioned or expessed in this Acte: whiche any persone or persones, bodies politique or corporate haue had, or obtained by the assent, licence, confirmation, graunt, or letters Patentes, of the said late king, or of the kinges Maiestie that now is: nor shall extende to any Manours, Landes, Tenementes, Reuenues, Possessions, Hereditamentes, or other thing or thinges mentioned, expessed or contained in any soche licence, confirmation, graunt, or letters patent: but that every soche person and persones, bodies politique and corporate their heires and successours, and assignes, and the heires, successours and assignes of euery of them, shall haue, holde, and enioie all and euery the same colleges, chappelles, chauntries, manours, landes, Tenementes, Reuenues, Possessions, and Hereditamentes, and all and euery other thing and thinges whatsoeuer, so by them had or obtained, by the assent, licence, confirmation, graunte, or letters Patentes of the said late king, or of the kinges Maiestie that now is, accordyng to the wordes, sentences, forme, effecte, meanyng and entente of the same licences, confirmacions, grauntes, and Letters Patentes: this acte, or the said acte made in the said .xxxvii. yere of the reigne of the said late king Henry theight, or any clause, article, sentence, matter, or thing mentioned, expessed or contained in any of the same actes, to the contrary therof in any wise notwithstanding.

AN ACTE CONCERNYNG THE Fol. cccvi.
KYNGES MOSTE GRACIOVS
GENERALL PARDONE,

¶ The. xv. Chapitre.

TH Kinges moste roiall Maiestie righte well percei-
uyng, his louyng subiectes by many and sundre waies
and meanes, to haue borne and susteyned the greate ad-
uentures, charges and businesse of warres, and defen-
ces of this his Realme, aswell in the tyme of his moste
dere father King Henry the righte, as in his tyme and
reigne, entendyng of his clemencie and pitie to gratifie
his saied subiectes, with his gracious free and liberall pardon, accordyng
to his kingly power, trustyng assuredly that his saied subiectes wil con-
tinue his louyng and assured obedient subiectes, and hereafter in soche
sorte obeie his highnesse Lawes and Statutes, as to them, and euery of
the of right apperteineth: is fully and resolutely contented and pleased,
that it be enacted by auctoritie of this present parliament, in maner and
fourme folowynge, that is to saie, that all and euery of his saied subiectes
aswell Spirituall as Temporall, of this his realme of Englande, Wa-
les, the Isles of Iernesey and Gernesey, Barwicke, Calais, Guisnes,
Hammes, Bullem, and Bollonois, and the Marches of thesame, the hei-
res, successours, executors and administratours of theim, and euery of
them, and all and singular bodies in any maner of wise corporate, cities,
Boroughes, Shires, Ridynges, Hundreides, Lathes, Wapentakes,
Tounes, Villages and Tithynges, and euery of theim, and the succes-
sour, and successours of euery of theim, shalbe, by the auctoritie of this
present Parliament, acquited, pardoned, released and discharged against
the Kinges highnesse, his heires, successours, and executors, and euery
of them, of all maner of Treasons, Heresies, Felonies, Robberies, offen-
ces, contemptes, trespasses, wronges, deceiptes, misdemeanours, for-
feitures, penalties, and profits, summes of money, peines of death, pei-
nes corporall and pecuniarie, and all other thinges, causes, querelles, sui-
tes, iudgements and executions, whiche maie be, or can bee by his high-
nesse in any wise, or by any meane pardoned, before, and vnto the. xv.
daie of December, in the yere of our Lorde God a. M. CCCC. xlvii.
Other then soche as hereafter in this acte bee excepted or forpyssed, in
soche maner and fourme, and vnto soche times as thei be excepted or for-
pyssed in this acte: and other then soche as the clauses or prouisos hereaf-
ter mencioned doeth extende vnto. And also the Kinges highnesse is fur-
ther contented and pleased, that it be enacted by the auctoritie of this
present Parliament, that this his saied free pardone shalbe as good and
effectuall in the lawe, to euery of his saied subiectes, bodies corporate,
and other before rehearsed, and to euery of theim, by thesaied generall
wordes

woordes befoze rehearsed, in all thinges, whiche bee not hereafter in this present acte excepted or forpysed, as thesame pardone should haue been, if all offences, contemptes, forfeitures, causes, matters, suites, querelles, iudgements, executions, penalties, and all other thinges not hereafter excepted, nor contened in any clause of prouiso hereafter mencioned, had been perticularly, singularly, specially, and plainly named, rehearsed, and specified, and also pardoned by propre and expresse wordes and names, in their kindes, natures, and qualities, by wordes and termes therunto requisite, to haue been put in, and expresse in this present acte of free pardone: and that his saied subiectes, nor any of them, nor the heires, executors, or administratours of any of them, nor any of thesaied bodies corporate, nor any other persones, bodies politique, or corporate befoze named, or any of the, be, nor shalbe sued, vexed or inquieted in their bodies, gooddes, landes, or cattalles, for any maner matier, cause, contempt, misbemeanour, forfeiture, trespassse, offence or any other thing, suffered doen or committed against his highnesse his crowne, dignitie, prerogatiue, law or statutes, but onely for soche matiers, causes, and offences, as bee rehearsed in the exceptions and clauses of prouiso, in this presente Acte hereafter mencioned, in soche maner and soueraine, as in thesame exceptions and clauses of prouiso be mencioned, and for none other: any statute or statutes, lawes, customes, vles, or president heretofore had, made or vlesed, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Also the kinges highnesse, of his bounteous liberalitie, by aucthoritie of this present Parliamente, graunteth and frely geueth, to euery of his saied Subiectes, and to euery of thesaied bodies corporate and other befoze rehearsed, and to euery of them, all soche gooddes, cattalles, debtes, fines, issues, profits, amerciamentes, forfeitures, and summes of money by any of them forfeited, whiche to his highnesse, dooe, or should belong or apperteyn by reason of any offence, contempt, trespassse, misdemeanour, matier, cause or querell, suffered, dooen, or committed by them, or any of them, whiche be not hereafter forpysed, or excepted in this presente acte. And that all and euery the kinges saied subiectes, and all and singular bodies corporate, and other befoze rehearsed, maie by him or them self, or by his or their deputie, or deputies, or by his or their attorney, or attournets, accordyng to the Lawes of this realme, pleade and muister this present acte of free pardone, for his or their discharge of, and for euery thing, that is by vertue of this presente Acte pardoned, discharged, geuen or graunted, without any fee or other thing, in any wise payyng to any person, or persones, for writyng or entrie of the iudgement, or other cause concernyng soche plea, writyng, or entrie, but onely, xli. s. to be paid to the officer or clerke, that shall entrie the plea, matier or iudgement, for the discharge of any the parte so pleadyng thesame: any statute or vles, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And furthermore, the kinges highnesse is contented and pleased, that

it be enacted by the aucthoritie of this present Parliament, that his said free pardone, by the generall wordes before rehearsed, shalbe reputed, demed, and adiudged, allowed and taken, in all maner of Courtes, and els where, as well in the wordes and clauses of excepcions and forepyses specified in this present acte, as in all and singular other clauses, wordes and sentences, mencioned and rehearsed in this his said free pardone, moſte beneficially and availablely, to all and singular his said subiectes, bodies corporate, and other before rehearsed, and to euery of them, in all thinges ambiguous or doubtfull, and moſte strongly in Barre, and discharge against his highnesse, his heires, successours and executours in euery thing, without any obstacle, challenge or other delate, whatsoeuer it shalbe, to bee made, pleaded, objected, or alleged by the king our souerein Lozde, his heires, successours, or executours, or by his, or any of their generall attorney, or attornies, or by any persone, or persones, for his highnesse, or any of his heires, successours or executours.

And furthermore, it is enacted by the king our Souerein Lozde, by aucthoritie of this present Parliament, that if any officer or clerke, of any of his highnesse Courtes, commonly called the Kinges Benche, Chauncerie and Comon place, or of his Exchequier, or any other officer or clerke of any other Courte, within this realme, or in Wales, or other the kinges dominions aboue mencioned, at any time, after the twentieth daie of Januarie next commyng, whiche shalbe in the yere of our Lozde God, a M. CCCC. clvii. make out, or write out any maner writtes, or other processe, or any extractes, sommongs, or other preceptes, whereby any of the said subiectes, or any of the said bodies corporate, or other before rehearsed, or any of them, shalbe in any wise arrested, attached, distreined, sommoned, or other wise vexed, inquieted or greued in his or their bodies Landes, Tenementes, Gooddes, or Cattalles, or in any of them, for, or because of any maner of thing pardoned or discharged, by vertue of this acte of free pardone, he so offendyng and therof lesfully condemned, shall paye and paie for the recompence therof, to the partie so greued or offended treble dammages, to be accompted, as percell of the damages and costes of the sute: And neuerthelesse, all and singular soche writtes, processe, extractes and preceptes so to be made, for, or upon any maner thing pardoned or discharged by this present acte of free pardone, shalbe bitterly holde, and of none effect.

Excepted alwaies and forepysed out of this generall and free pardon all and all maner of high Treasons, petit Treason, and misprision of Treason, dooen, committed, or perpetrated, in any of the partes beyonde the sea, and all and all maner of Treason, dooen, or committed in any other place, by any persone, or persones, by any ouerte, dede, whereby any bodily hurte or harme shall come, or be dooen to the kinges onely persones, and all sutes, punishmentes, execucions, forfeitures and penalties, for or by reason, or occasion of any of the same Treasones, before excepted.

And

And excepted all prepenſed and voluntarie murders, and alſo excepte all titles of acciōes, of quare impedit, all raiſementes, and withholdyng of the kinges Wardes and Wardes landes, and the proſites of theſame at any time growen to the kinges handes, or to any of his noble progenitours, and not yet diſcharged, all waſtes of the kinges wooddes, alſo well in Parkes, Forreſtes, Chaſes, and els where: and all ſummes of money graunted, or promiſed to bee paid, by waie or meane of beneuolence, or contriſucion not paid and contented: and all and ſingular debtes, other then debtes growen vpon Recogniſaunces, beyng all ready forfeited for ſuretie of the peace, good abearyng, or for none apparaunce at any date or place. And excepted and forgiſſed out of this pardone, all maner of accounptes, and all acciōes, ſutes and impetiōs for theſame, and all arrearages of accounptes and debtes, due for theſame. And alſo, excepted all homages, lineries and reliſes, rentes, ſeruiſes and arrearages of theſame, not doen or not paid. And alſo excepted all debtes, whiche wer due to the kinges highneſſe, or to theſaid late king of famous memorie, king Henry the eight, or to the late king Henry the ſeuenth, or to any perſone, or perſones, to the uſe of the king our ſouerein lord, or of his ſaid father, or king Henry the ſeuenth, by any condemniacion, recogniſaunce, obligacion, or otherwiſe. And alſo, excepted all and ſingular forfeitures beyng due to our ſouerein lord the king, or to theſaid late king, by any penall ſtatute or ſtatutes, whiche be conuerted into the nature of debte, by iudgement, or by agreement of the offendour, and all forfeitures, and other penalties, and proſites, growen, or due by reaſon of any offence, or acte, committed, or doen, contrary to any ſtatute or ſtatutes, or contrary to the common lawe, wherof any ſeaſure is made, or any inſormacion is geuen in the kinges Exchequer, or any ſute there commenced, and now dependyng, and not yet determined: Or wherof the kinges highneſſe, or his ſaid father, by bill aſſigned, or otherwiſe, haue made any giſte or aſſignement, to any of the ſeruauntes, of our ſaid ſouerein lord the king, or of his ſaid father, or to any other perſone, or perſones.

Alſo excepte and forgiſſed out of this free pardone, all and all maner of forgiſing, counterfeityng, waſhyng, and clippyng of whatſoener money or coigne, currant in this realme, and the bringyng into this Realme of any falſe or counterfeict money or coigne, made, forged or counterfeict out of this realme, and the btyryng of any ſoche falſe, or counterfeict money or coigne, had, made, doen, or perpetrated ſithen the xxvi. daie of January laſt paſt, and all and all maner of offences, impetiōs, puniſhmentes, forfeitures, peines of death, iudgementes and execution for theſame. And alſo, excepte and forgiſſed out of this free pardone, all and ſingular, fines to bee had, made or paid, by reaſon or meane of any alienacion, had or made of any manours, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes without licence, ſithen theſaid, xxvi. daie of January. Alſo excepte and forgiſſed out of this free pardon, all and all maner of manſlaughters, Burgularies,

Burgularies, robberies, of any persone or persones, in any house, or nere any high waie, and wilfull burnyng of Houses, and wilfull burnyng of Barnes, in whiche Barnes any coine was, at the tyme of soche burnyng and all maner of rauishementes of any woman, against her will, all felonious takyng of any money or gooddes, out of any churche or Chappell, all and all maner of felonious takyng of any hoise, geldyng, or mare, and all maner of piracies and offences vpon the sea, had, dooen, committed or perpetrated, sithen the first daie of August last past: and all maner of punishmentes, impetitions, forfeitures, peines of death, Judgementes, and execucions for thesame. And except and forpyssed, out of this free pardone, all, and all maner of intrusions, had, made, or doen, sithen thesaied xxviii. daie of Januarie last past. And except and forpyssed, out of this free pardone, all and all maner of deceptes and offences, of all and singular moniers, and other officers, ministers and woemen, of, or in any of the Shires within this realme, and all impetitions and punishmentes for thesame. And excepte and forpyssed, out of this free pardone, all and all maner of decayng of any messuage, cotage, or house, and the conuertying of landes, from tillage vnto pasture, contrary to any statute, heretofore had or made. And except and forpyssed the issues, reuenues and profites, of all and singular soche Messuages, Cotages, houses, and landes, commyng, arisyng, or growyng, sithen thesaied. xxviii. daie of Januarie laste past. And except and forpyssed, out of this free pardone, all and singular collectours, or collectour of any subsidie, fiftene, beneuolence, or contribution, and other persones whatsoeuer, that ought to be accountaunt, and the heires, executours and administratours, of euery of them of, for, and concernyng all maner of debtes, accountes and arerages of accountes, and all maner of concelementes, of customes and subsidies, and al maner of impetitions, and lutes for thesame. And except and forpyssed out of this free pardon, all and singular persones and persone, beyng the ii. daie of December, in the yere of our Lorde God. M. D. xlvi. prisoners or prisoner, in the toure of Lodon, and all and singular persones and persone, whiche at any tyme, befoze the ii. daie of Decerber, did fle out of this realme, into the parties beyonde the sea, for any treason, or mispyssion of treason. And except and forpyssed, out of this free pardone, all issues, fines and amerciamentes assayed, taxed, set, extracted, or entred seuerally or perticularly, extendyng to the some of an. C. s. or aboue. And that all and singular other fines, as well fines pro licentia concordandi, as other, and all other issues and amerciamentes, as well reall as other, whiche seuerally or perticularly, extende not to thesame some of. C. s. whether thei bee totted or not totted, taken to the charge of the Sherief or not taken to his charge, extracted, or not extracted, whether thei be tourned into debte, or not into debte, and not beyng leuied, nor receiued by any Sherief, or Shirifes, bailife, ministers, or other officers, shalbe fully, clerely and plainly pardoned, and discharged against the king our souerein lord, his heires
and

and successours for ever, by this present acte of free pardone.
And be it further enacted, by the auctoritie aforesaid, that in case it be objected, to, or against any Sherief or Sherifes, or other accountantes in the kinges Court of Eschequier, or in any other his Courtes, that any Sherief or Sherifes, other then officers accountaunt, haue receiued or taken any soche fines, issues, or amerciamentes, by this present act pardoned and acquitted: that then every soche Sherief and Sherifes, and other accountaunt, shalbe discharged, released, pardoned and acquitted therof, by his or their othe, without any further triall in that behalf.

Provided alwaie, that this present acte of free pardone, nor any thing therein contained, in any wise extende to discharge, remit, or acquite, any persone and persones, for any soche Issues, fines or amerciamentes, of one hundred shillinges or under as any Sherief heretofore haue accounted, before the Barones of the kinges Eschequier, or els where, & paid thesame Issues, fines, and Amerciamentes, upon his or their saied account, determined to the kinges use, and hath his or their quietus est, for thesame.

Provided alwaie, and be it enacted, by the auctoritie of this presente Parliamente, that all and every persone and persones, whiche haue tened, or ought to sue livery, out of the kinges handes, of any Manours, Landes, Tenementes, and hereditamentes, whatsoever thei be, shal sue his or their livery and liveries, out of the kinges handes, of his or their Manours, Landes, Tenementes and hereditamentes: any article, acte or actes, thing or thinges, in this presente acte of generall and free pardone, comprised and specified, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwaies, and be it enacted, by the auctoritie aforesaid, that it shalbe lefull, to all and every clerke, and other officer of any of the kinges Courtes, to awarde and make writtes of *Capias uelegatum*, at the sute of the partie plaintif, to the entent to compell the defendaunte and defendantes, to make answer to the plaintif, at whose sute he was outlawed. And that every persone, now beyng outlawed, shal sue a writ of *Scire facias*, against the partie or parties, at whose sute he was outlawed, before, his pardone in that behalfe shalbe allowed to him, that so is outlawed.

God save the King.

Excusum Londini in ædibus Richardi Graftoni
Regij Impressoris.

Anno M.D.xviii.

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